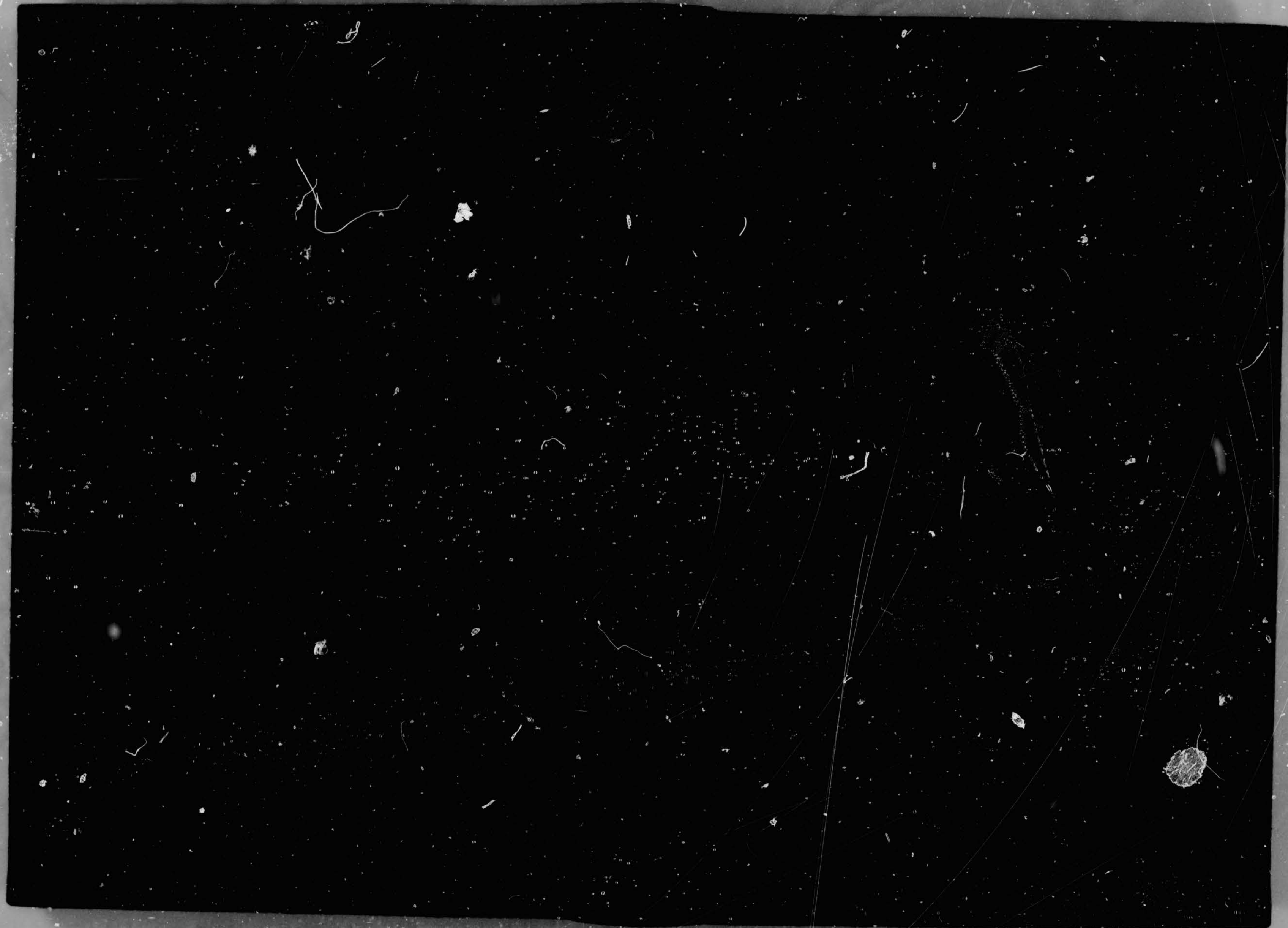


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At a Town meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough, qualified as the law directs, being duly warned and regularly assembled at the meeting house in said town the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of March 1791 for the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year and for other business contained in the warning for said meeting.

Deacon Samuel Wood was chosen moderator of said meeting and the town then proceeded to the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year and the following persons were chosen: viz.

Levi Jacob Tomson Town Clerk

Capt. Ichabod Southworth, Capt. Nathaniel Southworth, Levi Jacob Tomson, Capt. Ebenezer Morton, and Oliver Esq. Select men.

M<sup>r</sup> John Bonnot, Capt. Nathaniel Southworth and Levi Jacob Tomson Assessors.

Levi Jacob Tomson Town Treasurer.

William Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Alden, Samuel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Thomas Darling Constables.

John Winslow, Isaac Bonnot, Ebenezer Bonnot Jun<sup>r</sup>, David Dolano Jun<sup>r</sup>, Moses Shurtowant, Deacon John Hackitt, Henry Pickman, Samuel Holloway, Peter Caswell, Joseph Benson, and Capt. Joel Ellis Surveyors of Highways.

Nathan Thomas, Simon Tolman, Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup>, Ephraim Wood, Jesse Griffith, and John Bonnot Jun<sup>r</sup> Tithing men.

And then the town voted and ordered that there shall be no alms taken as they pass up the market river, having at the old and usual place of taking tolling them, at the stone wall near Deacons Mill, and there only by Day Light, and this vote shall stand in force until the annual town meeting which shall be held in the month of March next in said town.

And then voted and made choice of Jonathan Silvanus Barron, Coarsh Barron, and others to act as Harbors.

At a Town meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough, qualified as the law directs, being duly warned and regularly assembled at the meeting house in said town the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of March 1791 for the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year and for other business contained in the warning for said meeting.

Deacon Samuel Wood was chosen moderator of said meeting and the town then proceeded to the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year and the following persons were chosen: viz.

Capt. Peter Bonnot, John Bonnot, Isaac Bonnot, Ebenezer Bonnot Jun<sup>r</sup>, David Dolano Jun<sup>r</sup>, Moses Shurtowant, Deacon John Hackitt, Henry Pickman, Samuel Holloway, Peter Caswell, Joseph Benson, and Capt. Joel Ellis Surveyors of Highways.

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cast their spawn.

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at a sawmill brook or cove, in their season of fishing  
up the brook to spawn the spring saving at the high  
way near Mr. Peter Caswell and that there onely on  
mondays, wednesdays, and fridays in each week.

and then voted and made choice of Mr. Peter Caswell  
John Simmons, Benjamin Reynolds and Robert Richmond  
to have the inspection of the brook to see that there be  
no incumbrance to obstruct the passage of the  
fish up the brook during their present season of  
going up to spawn.

and then said meeting was adjourned unto fridays  
the fourth day of April next at Ten of the clock in  
the fore noon.

At a Town of the Qualified Freeholders and other Inhabi-  
tants of the Town of Middleborough held at the said meeting house  
in the Town March 31<sup>st</sup> 1746. and continued by adjournment un-  
to the fourth day of April 1746. and then met and at said  
meeting made choice of the following Town officers for the year  
ensuing: viz.

Capt Peter Bonnot, Major of Leather  
John Canedy, Joseph Alden, and Daniel Clap, Free Drivers  
Josiah Richmond, Henry Richmond, Samuel Adams and Silvanus  
Barrows, fence viewers.

Joseph Sawco and Jacob Bardon to go to the Court to observe  
the Law relating to Horses running upon the Common.

Uriah Samson, John Thomas and George Samson, Hay Stacks  
Mr. Ebenezer Redding, Gaoler of weights and measures.

Jacob Tomson and Samuel Holloway were chosen to go to the Court  
to observe the Province Law relating to the killing of Deer  
Contrary to said Law.

And at said meeting upon the Request of Mr. Jonathan King  
of Taunton, Capt Nathaniel Southworth, Capt Ebenezer Martin  
and John Miller were chosen a Committee to take a view of and  
make a Trial of the Bay car in a sawmill pond, and to make  
Report to the Town what they think may be proper for the Town  
to act thereon.

And also at said meeting voted that swine may run at large  
in the Town and Kingd as the Law Directs, the year ensuing.

And also at said meeting voted and made choice of Nathan Hunt  
to take the Towns fish this year at the old and usual place for the  
Dragon Barrow & Ebenezer Bonnots fish mill as they come down the  
year, and that he shall the Towns share at his own cost and charge  
by the 15<sup>th</sup> of this Instant April or as soon as the fish come down  
the Dragon Barrow, and for every load he shall take for any person  
he shall or may demand and receive for each load the sum of six  
shillings old Tenor and no more, and in keeping Turns he shall first  
bring his cart to the water shall have the first load of fish: and no  
one man to have two loads if others who have had none, have their  
carts ready at the water when the fish come down.

And also at said meeting voted and made choice of the selectmen  
together with Mr. John Bonnot to be a Committee to draw a petition  
to refer to the General Court relating to the fishing in said Town  
and to read the same to the Town at the Town meeting which  
shall be held for the choice of a Representative.

And also at said meeting voted, that Jacob Tomson should carry  
the Covenant that the owners of the Gitting mill entered into  
with the people of the Town, relating to the passage of the  
fish, and let it be recorded in the Registers office.

And also at said meeting upon Reading a memorial of John  
Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> relating to the passage of the fish round his dam  
the Town continued the same for consideration until the  
Town meeting which shall be held for the choice of a  
Representative.

And also at said meeting the Town taking into Consideration  
that whereas they had chosen William Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Alden  
and Samuel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> to serve as Constables for the present  
year, and the said William Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> having agreed with  
himself Edward Westburn to serve as Constables in his room and  
stead: And the said John Alden and Samuel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> ha-  
ving agreed with and hired Samuel Eddy Jun<sup>r</sup> to serve as Con-  
stables in their room and stead: That therefore the Town make  
choice of the said Edward Westburn to serve as Constables in the  
room and stead of the said William Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup>: And also make  
choice of the said Samuel Eddy Jun<sup>r</sup> to serve as Constables  
in the room & stead of the said John Alden and Samuel  
Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup>: and by vote Relayed the said William Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup>  
John Alden and Samuel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> from serving in the  
office of Constables.

And also at said meeting voted that there should be paid out of  
the Towns Treasury unto Noah Thomas former Constable  
the sum of Twenty one Shillings and eight pence for his  
on the abatement of John Darius Jun<sup>r</sup> and also  
four shillings and six pence to the same on the abatement of  
Nathan Hunt, making in the whole the sum of Twenty five  
shillings and four pence.

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did also at mid morning voted to allow and pay out of the town Treasury unto Capt. Schager Southworth the sum of Twenty Dollars to him for 2 mths time spent with the agents of the setting mill to being agent for the town.

And also at a meeting voted to allow and pay out of the  
Town Treasury unto Capt Nathaniel Southwick for 2 days  
making the County Rate, and one day laying out a high way  
Twenty Eight Shillings to the Town.

And also that they would allow and pay out of the town money unto Capt Ebenezer Morton for one day laying out a high way the sum of eight shillings so Tenor: ———

And also that they would allow and pay out of the Town Treas-  
ury unto Benjamin White Esqr for 7 days making his journey  
the sum of Twenty shillings do. Tenor—

And also that they would allow and pay unto Jacob Thomson  
out of the Town Treasury for 2 days making the County Rate  
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for the same Nineteen Shillings & six pence and for serving  
as Town Treasurer the year past Three pounds and for one  
day laying out a Right way and writing the Return Ten  
Shillings all in all then making in the whole the Sum of  
Five pounds Nine Shillings and six pence all then —

did also at said meeting the Town voted and accepted the  
return of the select men of their laying out a new way  
dated March 26<sup>th</sup> 1746. which Town way is laid out  
by the way so called, to Taunton Road, so called, and ends  
at the sawmill near Isaac Bardsons house

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough May 15<sup>th</sup> 1746 Isaac Bonnet, Leijah Leonard and Benjamin Duffly were appointed by drawing out of the box at the law books, to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next before our Court of Common Pleas, and Court of Criminal Justice at the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the third day of May Instant

At a Town meeting May 15<sup>th</sup> 1796. M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Tucker was Chosen to serve for and Represent the Town at the Civil and Criminal Court or assembly to be held and kept for His Majesty's service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> 1796 of May 25<sup>th</sup> and so during the Session and adjourn of said Court.

And at said meeting made choice of Jacob Tamm, Deacon Warren  
Capt. John Southworth, Capt. Morton, Capt. Nathl. Southworth, Brigham  
and some others as a committee to view the fish pond the slit-  
ting mill dam and great mill Peter Oliver Esq. relating to the progress  
of the fish pond dam and to make report to the town at the next  
town meeting what they think may be proper for the town to do.

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At a Court meeting held at Middleborough 2d meeting August July  
the Justices Jacob Gorton and Oliver to serve on the Grand Jury, and  
Thomas Nelson Jun and Nathaniel Bonwell were appointed by drawing  
out of the box as the law directs, to serve on the Jury of Trial at the  
next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Oyer and Original Goal  
Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth  
on the second Tuesday of July Instant

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough old meeting  
House, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1786. Capt Nath<sup>l</sup> Southworth was chosen  
moderator of said meeting. And then the Town by vote chose  
Capt Nath<sup>l</sup> Southworth, Capt Eben<sup>r</sup> Morton, John Miller,  
Mr John Barrett and Jacob Tomlinson a committee to view  
the iron car in affairwagot Pond near Robert. Richmond  
and to lease out or sell the same to the best advantage  
they can for the use of the Town, and if they lease it  
not to exceed the term of fifteen years, with privilege  
of renewal to have the preference in case of purchase  
at such price as any other person

At the time at said meeting the following report was given  
in to the Board of Directors

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And when the Town voted to raise one hundred pounds in part of Credit of the abovesaid by way of Tax on the Polls & Estates of the Town of New-Len Dirckx, to pay the necessary Charges in the Town, the one half to be paid at or before the first day of January next, and the other half being at or before the first day of June next, and that the amount of the same be paid by the several and respective persons who are liable to the same.

1794 The Town of Newborough Capt. Thomas  
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Middleborough

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At a Town meeting held at the old meeting house in Middleborough, December 1745, Henry Johnson and John Cox were appointed (by drawing out of a box) to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March next.

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1. Capt Ebenezer Norton was chosen moderator of said meeting, and the Town then proceeded to the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year, and the following persons were chosen: viz.

2. Lt Jacob Tinsion Town Clerk
3. Mr John Bonnet, Capt Jacob Southworth, Capt Nathaniel Southworth, Lt Jacob Tinsion and Capt Ebenezer Norton select men
4. Capt Nathaniel Southworth, Lt Jacob Tinsion, and Capt Ebenezer Norton assessors
5. Lt Jacob Tinsion Town Treasurer

6. Daniel Pines, Thomas Sovey, John Thomas and Enathan Shearman Constables

And then the Town voted and ordered that there shall be a dam built at the mouth of the River in the Town, giving at the old dam a small tract of fishing water at the head of the river, and there shall be a dam built by day light, and that the dam shall be built in force until the annual Town meeting next in the month of March next in said Town.

7. Voted and ordered that there shall be no alms given from the Town to any poor person except such as are called in said Town into the poor to cast their sparrow.

8. And then the Town voted and accepted of the Town way called the select men near appearance in the west precinct in the Town, whereof bears date March 17th 1745. The select men of said Town to set of the District of lands to work in said way.

And then the meeting was adjourned unto Tuesday the seventh day of April next at Ten of the Clock in the fore noon.

At a Town meeting of the qualified freemen and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough, held at the old meeting house on the 23rd day of March 1745, and continued by adjournment until the 30th day of April 1745, and then met and at said meeting voted and accepted of the Town way laid out by the select men in the west precinct in the Town, whereof bears date March 17th 1745. The select men of said Town to set of the District of lands to work in said way.

1. William Cushman was chosen to serve in the office of Constable for the year ensuing 1746, and the following persons were chosen: viz.

2. Lt Jacob Tinsion, Capt Jacob Southworth, Capt Nathaniel Southworth, Lt Jacob Tinsion and Capt Ebenezer Norton select men
3. Capt Nathaniel Southworth, Lt Jacob Tinsion, and Capt Ebenezer Norton assessors
4. Lt Jacob Tinsion Town Treasurer
5. Daniel Pines, Thomas Sovey, John Thomas and Enathan Shearman Constables



Isaac Jamson, Joseph Donson, Jonathan Smith, William Grosbridge were chosen surveyors of high ways

Christopher Richmond, David Allen, Isaac Billington, Conplan Garrison, Ephraim Thomas and Charles Reynolds were chosen tithing men

Capt Peter Bonnot was chosen dealer of leather

Joseph Lovel, Caleb Williamson, and Ephraim Reynolds were chosen field drivers

William Bryant, Joseph Bumpas, Benjamin Burphy and Joseph Padual were chosen fence viewers

Joseph Jauces and Jacob Barton were chosen to go to the due observance of the Law relating to Horses running upon the Commons

Jehuanus Barrows, Barnabas Jamson and Joshua Latol were chosen Hay Stewards

Ebenezor Robbins was chosen dealer of weights and measures

John Howland and Obadiah Jamson were chosen to go to the due observance of the Province Law relating to the Killing of Deer contrary to said Law

And then the Town voted that they would allow and pay unto Capt Ichabod Southworth for one day laying out a High way and viewing the ditch round the sitting mill dam - 1 - 0 - 0

And also voted that they would allow and pay unto Mr John Bonnot for 2 days and a half spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond and 2 days making the County Rate forty five shillings old Tenor - 2 - 0 - 0

And also voted to allow and pay unto John Howland former Capt. the sum of £. 1 - 1 - 8 old Tenor, which John Vaughan Junr was rated in the 1747 committed to J. Howland, he being since dead and left no estate to pay said Rate - 1 - 1 - 8

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Jacob Jamson for 2 days making the County Rate & for writing Lists of 1 - 1 - 5

And for one day laying out a High way near affawanset Pond and for writing the Return - 0 - 12 - 0

And for serving as Town Treasurer in the year 1746 - 3 - 0 - 0

And for 2 days & a half spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond & writing 2 lands from John Miller - 1 - 5 - 0

Total 6 - 17 - 3

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Capt Ebenezer Menden for 2 days spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond - 1 - 0 - 0

for 2 days laying out high ways - 1 - 0 - 0

for viewing the ditch round the sitting mill dam - 0 - 6 - 0

Total 2 - 6 - 0

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Capt Nathaniel Southworth for 2 days making the County Rate - 1 - 0 - 0

for 3 days & a half about the farm car - 1 - 15 - 0

for 2 days laying out high ways & writing one Return - 1 - 2 - 0

for part of a day with the Committee at the sitting mill - 0 - 6 - 0

And then voted that all the accounts above mentioned should be paid out of the Town Treasury - Total 4 - 3 - 0

And also at said meeting voted and made choice of Nathan Howland to take the Towns fish this year at the old and usual place just below the Con Barrows and Ebenezer Bonnots first mill as they come down this year and that he build the Towns Ware at his own cost and charge by the 10th of this instant April or as soon as the fish come down the narrowest River, and for every load he shall take for any person he shall or may demand and receive for each load he shall so take for any persons accounting eight thousand to the load the sum of eight shillings old Tenor and the more, and in keeping Turns he who first brings his cart to the ware shall have the first load of fish and no one man to have two loads if others who have had none, have their carts ready at the ware when the fish come down.

And also at said meeting voted and made choice of Capt Peter Bonnot, John Winslow, Capt Jacob Vaughan, Henry Wood and Nathaniel Smith to view the ditch round the sitting mill dam and to make Report to the Town at some Town meeting, whether the ditch be sufficient for the fish or not.

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough May 11th 1747: Samuel Allen, Nathaniel Hollaway and James South were appointed (by drawing out of the box as the Law Directs) to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of May Instant.

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough May the 14th 1747: Mr Samuel Bonnot was chosen to serve for and represent the Town at the Great and General Court or assembly to be held and kept for his majesty's service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 27th day of May Instant, and so during the session and sessions of said Court.

And at said meeting Capt Nathaniel Southworth was chosen Moderator for the remaining part of said meeting

And then George Shaw was chosen to serve in the office of Constable for the year ensuing, there being a vacancy by reason that Ebenezer Barman who was chosen to the office of Constable in the month of March last past, refused to serve in said office and hath paid the penalty the Law requires in such Cases

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough July 1747: Jacob Jamson was chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and John Miller and Isaac Jamson were appointed (by drawing out of the box as the Law Directs) to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Judicature, Court of Assize and General Goal Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of July Instant

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough September the 8th 1747: Ebenezer Bonnot was chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of September Instant.

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough October 1747: Ebenezer Bonnot was chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of October Instant.

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough November 1747: Ebenezer Bonnot was chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of November Instant.

And being mett first the Question any thing relating to the meeting which is yet unresolved

And then the Town Treasury was voted to be paid unto the following of the sitting mill dam and the farm car in affawanset Pond - 1 - 0 - 0

And then voted to allow and pay unto Mr John Bonnot for 2 days and a half spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond and 2 days making the County Rate forty five shillings old Tenor - 2 - 0 - 0

And then voted to allow and pay unto John Howland former Capt. the sum of £. 1 - 1 - 8 old Tenor, which John Vaughan Junr was rated in the 1747 committed to J. Howland, he being since dead and left no estate to pay said Rate - 1 - 1 - 8

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Jacob Jamson for 2 days making the County Rate & for writing Lists of 1 - 1 - 5

And for one day laying out a High way near affawanset Pond and for writing the Return - 0 - 12 - 0

And for serving as Town Treasurer in the year 1746 - 3 - 0 - 0

And for 2 days & a half spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond & writing 2 lands from John Miller - 1 - 5 - 0

Total 6 - 17 - 3

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Capt Ebenezer Menden for 2 days spent about the farm car in affawanset Pond - 1 - 0 - 0

for 2 days laying out high ways - 1 - 0 - 0

for viewing the ditch round the sitting mill dam - 0 - 6 - 0

Total 2 - 6 - 0

And then voted that they would allow and pay unto Capt Nathaniel Southworth for 2 days making the County Rate - 1 - 0 - 0

for 3 days & a half about the farm car - 1 - 15 - 0

for 2 days laying out high ways & writing one Return - 1 - 2 - 0

for part of a day with the Committee at the sitting mill - 0 - 6 - 0

And then voted that all the accounts above mentioned should be paid out of the Town Treasury - Total 4 - 3 - 0



At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough September the seventh 1747 Joseph Waterman was appointed by drawing out of the box as the law directs to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions to be holden at Newmarket within and for the County of Plymouth on the Third Tuesday of the Instant September

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough the 15th 1747 Jonathan Smith was Chosen Moderator of said meeting

At said meeting it is voted to raise Twenty five Pounds in aid of credit of the last emission by way of Tax on the Poll and upon of the Town as the Law directs To defray the necessary Charges of the Town The same to be ordered to be paid into the Town Treasury at or before the first Day of March next

And then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Capt Jacob Vaughan six shillings and Tenor, and unto John Winslow Ten shillings and Tenor, and unto Nathaniel Smith six shillings and Tenor, and is for their viewing the ditch Round the Mill Dam by order of the Town

And then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Ebenezer Sprunt the sum of Twenty four shillings and Ten Pence and Tenor, on the abatement of Benjamin Taylors Ratt

And then the meeting was adjourned unto Monday the second Day of November next at Ten of the Clock in the fore noon

And being met upon the adjournment November 2nd 1747 first the Question was asked the Town whether they would act any thing relating to the Pond in the warning of said meeting which is relating to the Pond mine in affawamsot Pond which is yet undisposed of, And the vote being in the Negative

And then the Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Capt Nathaniel Smith for getting for the District of the Surveyors of high ways and for 2 Days perambulating the Town and next Plimpton forty Two shillings and Tenor

And then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Mr John Bonnet for getting for the Districts of the Surveyors of high ways, and for 2 Days perambulating on the Town and next Plimpton forty Two shillings and Tenor

And then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Capt John Morton for getting for the Districts of the Surveyors of high ways, and for 2 Days perambulating on the Town and next Plimpton forty Two shillings and Tenor

And then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Jacob Tomson for getting for the Districts of the Surveyors of high ways, and for 2 Days perambulating on the Town and next Plimpton and writing the Return the sum of Two pounds and four shillings and Tenor

And then the meeting was dismissed

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough November 23rd 1747 Nathaniel Smith and John Hollaway were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Newmarket within and for the County of Plymouth on the Third Tuesday of the Instant next

At a Town meeting held at the old meeting House in Middleborough January 1st 1748 Nathaniel Smith and John Tomson were Chosen to serve on the Jury for the year ensuing. And Caleb Tomson John Tomson and John Tomson were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Newmarket within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March next

At a Town meeting of the Qualified freemen and other Inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough held at the old meeting House in the eastern Precinct in the Town February 15th 1747 which meeting was warned by John Thomas Constable by virtue of a warrant to him directed by Peter Oliver Esq one of his majestys Justices of the Peace for the County of Plymouth

The major part of the select men of the Town being present at said meeting declared against said meeting as being illegally warned and then Ezra Clap was Chosen Moderator of said meeting

And then voted whether the former Com<sup>tee</sup> or Com<sup>tee</sup> that have been removed by the Town of Middleborough to act any thing with Relation to the Car in affawamsot Pond are now dismissed and there forth made the vote in the affirmative

And then voted whether the Town will now proceed to chuse a Com<sup>tee</sup> to take care of all the car in affawamsot Pond and act thereon according to the directions the Town shall now and from time to time give them the Com<sup>tee</sup> to consist of these men voted in the affirmative

The Com<sup>tee</sup> above Chosen are Mr Isaac Samson Mr Joseph Padock Capt Jacob Smith with

And then voted whether the above Com<sup>tee</sup> shall dig and sell fifty Pounds of car to the best advantage they can and render an account to the Town at the next Town meeting after such car is dug and sold the sum thereof to be paid in to the Town voted in the affirmative

And then voted whether the above Com<sup>tee</sup> shall have the oversight of the car in affawamsot Pond with full power to dig out all and carry thereon that shall dig or carry of any of the above car without their order unless the Com<sup>tee</sup> shall have other instructions from the Town of Middleborough

February 15th 1748 Then at a legal Town all the above votes were read and passed in the affirmative Ezra Clap Moderator of said meeting

And Nathaniel Bonnet John Miller, and Ebenezer Goodman came into said meeting and entered their protest against the proceedings of said meeting as being illegal

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P. D. Thoms



Middleborough.

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December: 5: 1746. Mr Thomas Nelson and Thomas Prince of Middleborough are appointed by the Church of England to take and give in a list to the officers of each Precinct in the Town of Middleborough of the names of those called Anabaptists, that are or were Congregations of that Opinion and do frequent that meeting: and we desire they may have the benefit of the law in that case made and provided.

The names of the Persons are as follows, for David Thomas & Nelson Wood as Witnesses our hands  
Thomas Nelson  
Thomas Prince  
The Persons above mentioned Live in the East Precinct in Middleborough

Middleborough March: 25<sup>th</sup>: 1748 by the subscribers assentors of the first Precinct in Middleborough do accept of the above written List in order to be put upon Record

John Bennett  
Jacob Tomlinson  
Ebenzer Norton

At a Town Meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough: Held at the Town Direct being duly warned and Regularly assembled at the Old meeting house in said Town the 29 Day of March 1748 for the Choice of Town Officers for the ensuing year and the other Business contained in the Warning for the Meeting

Peter Oliver Esqr was Chosen Moderator of said meeting: and the Town proceeded to the Choice of Town Officers for the ensuing year and the following Persons were Chosen viz

Ebenzer Sprunt Town Clerk  
Capt. Gehard Southworth Peter Oliver Esqr Lieut. Jonathan Smith, Mr. Nathaniel Smith and Deacon Benja. Tucker Select men  
Capt. Gehard Southworth Mr. Ezra Clap Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Thacher assessors  
Mr. Elias Miller Town Treasurer

Thomas Prat William Hoar Edmund Whipple John Bennett were Chosen Constables

and then the Town voted upon the Petition of Mr. Isaac Sampson and others dated Middleborough February the first 1747 that the Prayer of said Petitioners be granted: Provided that on Every Day in the Week between Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays the Petitioners have a free Passage

to take up into the Ponds to spawn  
Voted that Peter (apoll) Robert Richmond and Joseph Redock be appointed to see that there be no Obstructions from any persons during the time said alvies up into the Ponds this season to the Low Pond on Church Days

Excepted in the Vote on the Motion of Isaac Sampson and others  
Voted that there be no alvies taken this season as they come down from the River in any part of the Ponds and River in Middleborough after they have been up into the Pond to spawn

Voted that there be a free Liberty to catch the Fish called Alvies with Sotage and no other way in any part of the River from the Mouth of spawning Pond having their Passage this season up into the Pond to get their spawn



Middleborough

Voted that the Town would <sup>grant</sup> upon the petition of Josiah Howdaway and others  
Relating to the Road through Nathaniel Smith's Land.

4<sup>th</sup> Voted <sup>that</sup> the way through Beach <sup>was</sup> laid out by the Select men <sup>on</sup> the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 1747

Voted and accepted the way laid out by the Select men <sup>on</sup> the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 1747  
and then the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of April next  
at 10 o'clock in the after noon

at a Town meeting <sup>of</sup> Qualified freemen and other inhabitants of the Town  
Middleborough held at the 2<sup>d</sup> meeting house on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March  
1749: and continued by adjournment unto the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1749: and the  
met. and at a meeting <sup>of</sup> the Town <sup>on</sup> the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1749: and the  
Thomas Seave Isaac Sampson John Robt Junr Elipah Chap Capt Joel Ellis  
Jeremiah Thomas Josiah Freeman Shinnel Lion Joseph Bate and Joshua  
Benfor where chosen Surveyors of High Ways

2<sup>d</sup> Joshua Barre Joseph Eden James Palmer were chosen

8<sup>th</sup> Capt Peter Bound was chosen Sealer of Leather

4<sup>th</sup> Samuel Wood Oxenbridge Thacker Caleb Seave Don chosen field Ward

4<sup>th</sup> Barnabas Sampson David Thomas Joseph Linkham and Jeral were chosen  
Chosen fence Viewers

6<sup>th</sup> Philip Leonard Joseph France were chosen to be to the D. of the Town  
of the Law Relating to Ropes Running upon the Common

4<sup>th</sup> Joseph Leonard John Thomas John Warren were chosen High Officers

5<sup>th</sup> Seth Seave Henry Thomas were chosen to be to the Doc  
of the Town Relating to the Selling Down of the  
to said Law

4<sup>th</sup> Voted to accept of the way laid out by the Select of the Town a part of the  
Grate Plain dated March 1747

Voted to allow thirty shillings or worth of Labor for the mending of the  
School Master for the Town

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and also to Allow Mr. Jacob Tompson and Pay the same for  
 fourteen shillings for making the Province County and Town Rates Machine  
 14:00 Old Town for Drawing 3 original Lists and 4 shillings and 4 pence for the  
 Constables and 4 shillings of Paper and drawing as Town Treasurers the year  
 1747 and for Drawing two copy of the Rate Lists to Deliver to the  
 Town Clerk for Time spent with 4 officers in comparing  
 said Lists for 3 Days with the select men in laying out Town ways  
 and for Writing 3 Returns of Town ways laid out by the select men  
 and for Writing a Petition to the General Court and Draught of an  
 act Relating to the fishery: the sum Total is in the Sum 14:14:0

Notes to Allow Mr. John Bonnell for three Days with the select men in  
 laying out Town ways - 2:5:00

Notes to Allow and Pay Capt. Nathaniel Southworth agreeable to his account for  
 making the Province town and County Rates  
 to Writing one original List and 4 Lists for the Constables 1:0:0  
 to Eight Days making Rates - 4:16:0  
 to Copying 2 original Lists - 0:12:0  
 to comparing the Rate Lists - 0:5:0  
 to one Day laying a high way over the Great Plain by way of 1:10:0  
 Southworth to 8 Days laying out high ways in the West Precinct 12:19:0

Notes to Allow and Pay to Mr. John Litcham agreeable to his account for  
 binding the Town School Master - 2:10:0

Notes to Allow and Pay Samuel Thacher agreeable to his account for  
 binding of School 6 weeks and 2 Days - 3:5:0

Notes to Allow the School Master 6 weeks and 2 Days - 3:5:0  
 Total 12:11:0

And the Subscribers being Requested by Several of the Inhabitants of the  
 Western Precinct in the Town of Middleborough that they would Lay out a  
 Town way from the way formerly laid out through Capt. Faneys Land  
 and so to Belles Port way at the head of the Great Cedar Swamp and so  
 to Breton Line have Done the same as follows: Beginning at the corner  
 of the Sixty Sixth and Sixty Seventh Lots in number in the third allotment  
 in the sixteen shilling purchase the whole breadth of a way to be on the  
 early side of said bound and from thence on said 67th Lot next adjoining  
 the line of the 68th Lot North of Degrus Westly 99:30 to the head of  
 thereof being a stake and stone by Southworth end of a Rock about 12 feet  
 but on left there be any ledge of Rocks on a line the way to go round them  
 on the Western side where it may be convenient for the way; and from thence  
 straight line to the 71st Lot in number in the third allotment  
 and from thence into the northwest corner of the 79th Lot in number in  
 allotment being a stake & stone about in all there be any ledge  
 Rocks in a straight line the way to go round them where it may be  
 convenient for the way; the whole breadth of the way to lay on the  
 side of said bound; and from thence on the Seventy Ninth Lot in number  
 in said 3rd allotment next adjoining unto the line of the said Seventy  
 at South fifteen Degrus Westly until it comes to the East way and  
 thence by the East way as a Part way now goeth until it comes to the  
 at Belles Port way: so called; at the head of the Great Cedar Swamp; and from  
 thence over a swampy way: and so as said Part way now goeth until it comes  
 of the Northern End of the 139th Lot in number in 3rd allotment and from  
 on the 140th Lot next adjoining to the line of the 139th Lot until it comes  
 the Northwest corner bound of 139th Lot being a small Pine tree in the  
 then straight and from thence on a straight line to the East way at the Eastern end of  
 Lane and from thence as the Part way now goeth along a Lane by the house of  
 Hordland and the house of Joshua Hordland until it comes to the house of  
 Hordland on the Northern side of said Part way: and from thence Round said house on the  
 Northernly side thereof where it may be convenient for a way and so to the  
 from thence by the Part way as it now goeth until it comes to the Place where  
 way goeth straight line: and from thence in all parts of it to be the Part  
 Road and an open way saying that Capt. William Faneys shall have the  
 of one Year of Bars or a gate Cross a way at Belles Port way and that John  
 have the Liberty of one pair of Bars or a gate Cross said way on the  
 of these things the space of three years next ensuing and no longer  
 always so that the said Part way to the house of Hordland

Middleborough (17)  
 Antient Line near the house of Nathaniel Southworth and from Part  
 said Part way to be thirty feet in breadth and an open way always  
 provided that the Town be not shut to the part and change of Purchase  
 the said way or any Part thereof Laid out March 21 1747

John Bonnell  
 Nath Southworth  
 Jacob Tompson  
 Nathaniel Southworth

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 Western Precinct in the Town of Middleborough that they would Lay out a  
 Town way from the way formerly laid out through Capt. Faneys Land  
 and so to Belles Port way at the head of the Great Cedar Swamp and so  
 to Breton Line have Done the same as follows: Beginning at the corner  
 of the Sixty Sixth and Sixty Seventh Lots in number in the third allotment  
 in the sixteen shilling purchase the whole breadth of a way to be on the  
 early side of said bound and from thence on said 67th Lot next adjoining  
 the line of the 68th Lot North of Degrus Westly 99:30 to the head of  
 thereof being a stake and stone by Southworth end of a Rock about 12 feet  
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 convenient for the way; the whole breadth of the way to lay on the  
 side of said bound; and from thence on the Seventy Ninth Lot in number  
 in said 3rd allotment next adjoining unto the line of the said Seventy  
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 Hordland and the house of Joshua Hordland until it comes to the house of  
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 way goeth straight line: and from thence in all parts of it to be the Part  
 Road and an open way saying that Capt. William Faneys shall have the  
 of one Year of Bars or a gate Cross a way at Belles Port way and that John  
 have the Liberty of one pair of Bars or a gate Cross said way on the  
 of these things the space of three years next ensuing and no longer  
 always so that the said Part way to the house of Hordland



Middleborough  
 was or any Part thereof laid out March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1747  
 at the annual Meeting in the Town of  
 Middleborough March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1747 the said Town  
 accepted of the above way albeit Peter Oliver  
 moderator

John Bonnet  
 Nathl Southworth  
 Jacob Tompson  
 Ebenezer Morton  
 Select men  
 of  
 Middleborough

We the Subscribers Being Requested by several of the Inhabitants of the  
 Town of Middleborough that we would lay out a Town way a foot the width of the  
 side of the Great Main way near Eben's Wood: have accordingly done  
 up the Road or high way near Eben's Wood: Road or high way near  
 the same as follows: Beginning at the afore Road or high way near  
 Eben's Wood: at the Line between the Land of P. Simmons and the Land  
 of J. Linn South the whole breadth of the way to the on P. Simmons' Land there  
 and so until we come to three small Pines marked at or near said Line  
 and from thence going a corner of said Simmons' Land to a Red oak  
 tree marked at or near the Line between said Simmons' Land and the  
 Land of Seth Finkham and from thence to a Pine tree marked one fourth of the  
 said Land and from thence to a Pine tree marked at or near the Line between P.  
 Finkham's Land and the Land of Gartham Job: and from thence on a direct  
 Line to the Bound between the Land of Abel Leach and the Land of William  
 Barlow and the whole breadth of the way there to be on said Leach's  
 Land: and from thence on said Leach's Land Heat unto the Line between P.  
 Leach and Barlow until we come to the corner of said Barlow's house near  
 said Leach's house and from thence on the Line between the Land of P.  
 Leach and Barlow until we come to the southerly corner Bound of said  
 Barlow's Land and from thence on the Road between the Land of P. Leach  
 and the Land of Samuel Warren jr until we come to the westerly corner  
 Bound of said Leach's Land and from thence on the Line between  
 the Land of Deon Isaac Finkham and the Land of Saml Warren jr until  
 we come to the westerly corner of said Finkham's Land and from thence  
 on the Line between said Warren's Land and the Land of Eben's Wood  
 until we come to a Red Oak tree marked standing on said Wood's Land and  
 one Pole from the Line of said Warren's Land and from thence going a  
 corner of Ebenezer Wood's Land on a straight Line to the Bound between  
 P. Eben's Wood's Land and the Land of Benjamin Warren being a Red Oak tree  
 marked and from thence on the Line between the Land of P. Eben's Wood and said  
 Benja Warren until we come to that Road or high way formerly laid out P.  
 Benja Warren open way thirty foot wide only that the above named Deon  
 Isaac Finkham and Samuel Warren jr and there heirs and assigns shall have  
 the Liberty of Cart and Crops said way on there Land for the space of five  
 years next ensuing and no longer always provided that the town be  
 put to the cost and charge of purchasing of the said way or any Part thereof  
 & laid out March the 19<sup>th</sup> 1747

John Bonnet  
 Nathl Southworth  
 Jacob Tompson  
 Ebenezer Morton  
 Select men  
 of  
 Middleborough



Middleborough

At a Meeting of the freemen and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the old Meeting house in said the Easterly Precinct in said Town on morrow the 24th Day of April 1748

Capt. School Southworth was chosen moderator of said meeting Voted that any former Committees that may have been chosen by said Town to act any way relating to the Iron over in said swamp be and hereby are dismissed

Voted that Isaac Sampson Thomas Nelson jun and Ezra Closs be a Committee to see how 150 tons of Iron Ore to be dug out of said swamp and at the charge of the Town and to sell said Ore when dug for the Best Advantage of the Town and to make Report of these Doings thereon at the next Town meeting that may be assembled after they have acted agreeable to this vote; as also that the said Committee be and are hereby impowered to prosecute to effect in the Law the Charge of the Town any Person or Persons who may be guilty upon the Towns Rights by Digging or carrying away any of the said Ore

Voted that the Petition Drawn up Relating to the fish to send to the General Court be accepted

Voted that the Select men be appointed to Draw up a form of an act to the General Court Relating to the fish and to make these Doings at the town meeting for the choice of Representatives

Voted to allow and pay to Silvanus Barrows for Boarding the Town School master Eight Weeks at Ten shillings per week 80:00 and also to allow and pay for Daniel Allens Rate 10:00

At a Town Meeting held at the Old meeting house in Middleborough on the 16th 1748: Eleazar Reynolds Joseph Rich and Joseph Allen were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jurisdiction at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Dukes on the third Tuesday of May next

and at said meeting on the same day Samuel Bennett was chosen for and accepted the Town at the Great and General Court or assembly to be held and here for his majestys service at the Court house in Boston upon Wednesday the 25th Day of May instant and so during the Session and Sessions of the Court

At a Town Meeting held at Middleborough on the 27th 1748: Ephraim Wood was chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and Samuel Warren and James Wood were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of assize and General Court

Deliver the County

at a Meeting of the Town of Middleborough assembled in said Joseph D. Law Direct Inferiour of the Peace of Dima

at a Meeting of the Town of Middleborough assembled at the on morrow the 24th Day of April 1748: and then the Town Senor into the to pay to the said money be to Discharge said and then the Town Woods Relation the

and then the Town the Charge of the and then the Town that was charge to the money that is Ammonition for hands and any other

and then the Town Treasurers for to to half a Day with and then the m

at a Meeting of Middleborough house in the December 1748 was appointed on the 14th day of General the County of



Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth: on the Second Tuesday of July next

at a Meeting of the freholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough: qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the Old Meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in said Town: on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1746 Joseph Williams was appointed; by Drawing out of the Box as Law Directs: to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas; and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of this instant September

at a Meeting of the freholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough: qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the Old Meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in said Town: on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1746

1<sup>st</sup> Jonathan Smith was Chosen Moderator of said meeting and then the Town voted that Joseph Wood shall pay forty five Pounds the Senor into the Town Treasurers: in Behalf of what the Town Voted to pay to Mr. Henry Wood for the Support of his Aunt Mary Woods the said money being what was raised by the Discharge many Woods Relation to Discharge said Town

2<sup>d</sup> and then the Town voted Capt. Jacob Southworth be the Payson for the Woods Relation thanks for there present to the Town

3<sup>d</sup> and then the Town voted to raise one Hundred Pounds the Senor to Defray the Charge of the said Town for the present year

4<sup>th</sup> and then the Town voted that Deacon Benjamin Fisher be appointed to receive the money that was raised to procure Town Stock that is said to be Jacob Tomson's Part then the Town voted that the money that is in various Hands be raised to Boston: a Town Stock of Cattle and Ammunition for said Town: and to receive the Town Stock that is in said Jacob Tomson's hands and any other Stock that is in other mens Hands

5<sup>th</sup> and then the Town voted to allow and pay Lieut. Jacob Tomson out of the Town Treasurers for two Days making the Military Rate and finding Paper 1: 2: to half a Day with the Com<sup>rs</sup> making up: Accounts as Town Treasurers: 5: and then the meeting was Dissolved the said 10<sup>th</sup> is in the 11<sup>th</sup> of the

at a Meeting of the freholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough: qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the Old Meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in said Town: on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1746, Isaac Pierce Jun<sup>r</sup>: Robert Richmond and William Bradburn was appointed; by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs: to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas; and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of this instant December

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know all men by these Presents that we John Bennet Nathaniel Southworth and Jacob Tomson: Select men of the Town of Middleborough: Josiah Perkins George Bryant and Rowland Hammond Select men of the Town of Hampton being met together on the fourteenth Day of October: 1747: Have by mutual Agreement Resolved and agreed upon the Line and Renewed the Bound between the two aforesaid Towns as followeth: Beginning at the Stake with Stones about it standing in the former Town Line between the Town of said Towns which is a former bound of the Town of Middleborough: and is 90 pole distant from Mr. Eben: fullers house: Which bound we Renewed: and from thence hanging South 33 Degrees and a quarter East 2 miles and fifty pole to the Great Pine tree formerly Marked: Which tree is now dead: We marked a small white oak with 3 marks one above another facing to it which standeth about 12 foot to the Southward of it: and from thence hanging South 29 Degrees and a half Easterly: 114: Pole to the Stump of the Spruce tree formerly marked below the Pasture that did belong unto Mr. James Soul Dueset: by which Stump is a heap of Stones and marked a small white oak standing to the Eastward and a small maple standing to the Westward each with 3: marks one above another facing to it from thence South 29: Degrees Easterly 82 pole to the forked white oak tree formerly marked on a hill by which tree we laid a heap of Stones: and put a stone in the fork thereof: and from thence South 29 Degrees Easterly a mile and a quarter and 10 pole to the white oak tree formerly marked by the South side of the High way that leads from Plymouth to Middleborough commonly called P Tree by which we laid a heap of Stones and from thence South: 29: Degrees Easterly 180 pole to the Great white oak tree formerly marked by the South garden path that leads to the marked which tree is now dead: we marked a small Spruce on fore side standing by the Root of it: and from thence South 5 Degrees Easterly a mile and 49 pole to a Pine tree formerly marked by the North side of the Pond called Beacon Dam Pond: 44 pole to a small Spruce tree which bears henceward: and from thence on the same course over the Pond 44 pole to a small Spruce tree marked by the South side of said Pond which bound we Renewed: and from thence the Line to extend on a straight Line to a Stake which is the West corner of the Lot of Land which did formerly belong unto Benoni Shaw who says John Shaw now dwelleth being one mile wanting nine pole: and from said Stake to the Lot South 4 Degrees Easterly: 116: pole to the Spruce tree formerly marked which is the South corner bound of said Lot which tree is much decay we marked a Spruce tree with 3 marks one above another facing to it which standeth about one pole to the Southward of it: and from thence South 24: Degrees Easterly 132 pole to the mouth of the spring brook where it falls into the Rocky meadow brook: and from thence unto a maple tree formerly marked on the upland and so home to the upland: and from thence the bound on the westerly side of the meadow to extend upon stream as the same line was settled by the Committee that first stated the same as may appear by a Writing under their Hands bearing date the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1700: until it come to a white Pine tree formerly marked at the lower end of a Rocky Point at the lower end of the body of meadow below the double brooks: by the Stumps of which tree we laid a heap of Stones and from thence hanging East North East about Ten pole to South meadow River: as witness our hands

John Bennet  
Nathaniel Southworth  
Jacob Tomson  
Josiah Perkins  
George Bryant  
Rowland Hammond  
Select men of  
Middleborough  
Hampton

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Green  
1746:  
Chosen  
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Wormin  
and then  
at a Town  
February  
Chosen  
John W  
by Draw  
Jury of  
Court of  
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at a Town meeting  
of Middleborough  
the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of  
Ensign year  
said Meeting  
Peter Moor  
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3<sup>d</sup>  
Capt. Jacob  
Jm. M. Decon  
4<sup>th</sup> Lieut. Jonathan  
5<sup>th</sup> Mr. Elias  
6<sup>th</sup> Henry Rich  
Jan<sup>r</sup> Constable  
7<sup>th</sup> Ignatius Bell  
Tomson Esq  
Joseph Bat  
Surgeons of  
8<sup>th</sup> Ephraim  
Chosen by the  
9<sup>th</sup> Barnabs



at a Town meeting of the freholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough, qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the Old Meeting house: in the Easterly Greenet in said Town: on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1745: and at said meeting Lieut Jonathan Smith was Chosen moderator.

But to vote whether the Town will act anything upon the Warning of said Meeting and it was in the Negative. and then the meeting was Dissolved.

at a Town meeting held at the Old Meeting house in Middleborough the 20<sup>th</sup> 1749 Edward Thomas and John Booth were Chosen to serve on the Grand jury for the year ensuing. John Warren Samuel Holloway and James Bumpas were appointed by Draughting out of the Box as the Law Directs: to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the County of Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March.

at a Town meeting of the freholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough qualified as the Law Directs Legally assembled at the Old Meeting house: in the Easterly Greenet in said Town: on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1749 for the Choice of Town officers: for the ensuing year and the other business contained in the Warrant for said Meeting.

Peter Moor Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator of said Meeting, and then the Town proceeded to the Choice of Town officers: and the following Persons was Chosen.

Deon: Sproutt Town Clerk.

Cap<sup>t</sup> Jehadot Southworth Lieut Jonathan Nathaniel Smith Nathaniel Smith Deon Benj<sup>m</sup> Tucker and Mr John Weston Select men.

Lieut Jonathan Smith Seth Linkham Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> Assessors.

Mr Elias Miller Town Treasurer.

Honery Richmond James Palmer Malachi Howland Jonathan Shaw Jun<sup>r</sup> Constables for the ensuing year.

Ignatius Collins Ejection Reynolds Isaac Samson Isaac Dince John Tomson Edward Snodgrass Lechriah Poly Jerimiah Thomas Samuel Shink Joseph Rat Lieut Thomas Knellon and Samuel Benson were Chosen Surveyors of High Ways.

Ephraim Norcut Benj<sup>m</sup> Booth and Deon Garshom to be Chosen Surveying Men.

Barabbs Samson was Chosen Sealer of Letters.

John Cogges Joseph Lovell Ephraim Reynolds field Drivers John Boul William Cushman Jehadot Wood Benj<sup>m</sup> Dufsey Robert Richmond and John Palmer were Chosen fence viewers.

Nathan Trowant John Leonard to be to the Due observance of the Law relating to Cows Running upon the Common.

Kenery Wood Jun<sup>r</sup> Simmon Lotman and Joseph Dince-hogg Assessors.

Robert Burrows and John Holdand to be to the Due observance of the Province Law relating to the Killing Deer Contrary to said Law Voted that there be a Liberty to Catch the fish called Alewives with traps nets and no otherwise: in any Part of Nemasket River from the Mouth of Wawamset and During there Passage this Season up into the Pond to Cast there Spawons.

Voted that the Petition of Peter Caswell and Others Dated January the 12<sup>th</sup> 1749: Relating to taking the fish be accepted.

Voted Peter Caswell Robert Richmond and Joseph Dince-hogg be appointed to see that there are no Obstructions from a Spawant Set Pond to the Long Pond During the Passage of the fish called Alewives up into the Ponds this Season: Except on those Days allowed to Peter Caswell and Others agreeable to their Request.

Voted that fish called Alewives may be taken as they come Down Nemasket River after they have Done Spawning.

Voted that Ignatius Elmes be the Person appointed to take the Alewives after they have Done Spawning this year: at the usual Place high Water Barrows mill: and that he Build the Towns Levee at his own Cost and Charge: as soon as the fish come Down on the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of April next: and for every Load he shall take for any Person: he shall or may Demand and Receive for each Load he shall so take for any Person amounting 4000: to the Load the Sum of Ten Shillings 6<sup>d</sup> Senor for himself and no more: and in keeping Turns he who first has his Cart to the Ware shall have the first Load of fish: and no one man to have two Loads if Others who have had none have there Carts ready at the Ware when the fish come Down.

Voted that there be Liberty given to take the fish called Alewives after they have Done Spawning this year at the usual Place high Water: Peter Caswell and that said Caswell be the Person appointed to take them and that he may Demand and Receive 12<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> Senor and no more for each Load: 4000 being accounted a Load: and that the manner of Letting Persons have there Turns be the same as in the Vote that Ignatius Elmes to take them.

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That Edmund Wood be appointed by the Town to take all the Note  
Bills that Was Committed to Nathaniel Bennett & Constable. In the year  
1740 Shes Isaacson & others the money that said Bennett Was to Gather  
in: and pay in the Money according to the Directions in said Warrants  
Warrants: and said Wood shall Receive the same.

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Contrary the Town of Middleborough to Jacob Tompson Town Treasurer Credit as followeth viz

Received of Benjamin Booth Constable at two Payments and gave him Receipt in full	11-9-7
Received of John Howland Constable by the hand of Timothy Rogers, and gave Receipt for it	5-0-0
Recd of Samuel Allen Constable at Sunday Times & gave him Receipt in full	24-13-7
Recd of Henry Reed Constable at two Payments and gave Receipt in full	6-0-6
Recd of Henry Thomas Constable and gave Receipt in full	5-10-7
Recd of Henry Spruitt Constable in Part, the Sum of	2-0-0
Recd of Noah Thomas at Sunday Payments and gave Receipt in full	3-6-3
Recd of Benja Tucker former Town Treasurer being what was Due from him to the Town in balance of his accounts and gave Receipt	2-3-0
Recd of Joseph Menay Constable and gave Receipt in Part	1-0-0
Recd of Thomas Livery being what he paid as a fine for his Refusing to serve in the office of a Constable where he was Chosen	20-0-0
Recd of El Nathan Shearman being what he paid as a fine for his Refusing to serve in the office of Constable where he was Chosen	20-0-0
Recd of Samuel Bennett Constable and gave Receipt in Part	20-0-0
Recd of Samuel Thomas Constable & gave Receipt in full	22-0-0
Recd of Thomas Darling Constable and gave Receipt in full	5-12-3
Recd of William Cushman Constable and gave Receipt in Part	15-0-0

Total Credit 167-4-5  
Total Debt 140-10-1

Due from me to the Town 26-14-4

The above Written is a true account of Receipts and Disbursements from March: 29<sup>th</sup> 1749: to March: 29<sup>th</sup> 1749:

May 16: 1749: Attest Jacob Tompson Town Treasurer  
Then we the Subscribers agreeable to the Vote of the Town of Middleborough Examined the accounts of Mr: Jacob Tompson former Town Treasurer: and agreeable to the account of said Treasurer there Remains in his hands & Mr: Tompsons hands of said Towns moneys  
No Genor

Ezra Clap  
Jonathan Smith  
Jacob Tompson

26-14-4



at a Town Meeting Held at the Old meeting house in Middleborough July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1749: Isaac Prince Junr and Josiah Wood were chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Superior Court of Justice and General Goal Delibery to be holden at Hilmouth within and for the County of Hilmouth on the second Tueday of July next: and Nathaniel Smith and Silvanus Barrows were chosen to serve on the jury at the Court above.

At a Town Meeting Held at the Old meeting house in Middleborough September 10<sup>th</sup> 1749 Ebenezer Spradell and Thomas Darling were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Jury to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Superior Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Hilmouth within and for the County of Hilmouth on the first Tueday of September Instant.

at a Meeting the same Day Sh<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Smith was chosen Moderator and the Town voted to accept the Sum of Money Being fifty pounds of Senor and made choice of the select men to give Sh<sup>r</sup> Oliver thanks for his present of the said Sum of money to the said Town.

2<sup>d</sup> voted to Raise one hundred and fifty pounds of Senor to Defray town charges for the ensuing year.

3<sup>d</sup> voted to allow and pay Sh<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Smith for how Days and half spent in going from Middleborough to Hilmouth to attend the select men of Hilmouth to alter the way to the Court.

4<sup>th</sup> voted to choose a Collector in the Room and stead of Henry Richmond.

5<sup>th</sup> voted to abate in Edmond Westons Rate Bills 4:12:4 of Senor the Rate of W<sup>o</sup>do many Tinkham Decy which was for the Pole Tax of him for O<sup>n</sup> Tinkham who is a inhabitant in Hilmouth. 4:12:4

6<sup>th</sup> voted to abate in Mr Henry Wood 4:12:4 of Senor which was his Rate to Edmond Wood collector for the year 1749. 4:12:4

7<sup>th</sup> voted to abate Isaac Tinkham 5:10:4 of Senor which was his Rate to Edmond Westons Constable for the year 1749 that was his Rate for Pole and beyond the then being a inhabitant in Hilmouth. 5:10:4

8<sup>th</sup> voted to abate William Raymond 4:12:4 of Senor which was his Rate to Edmond Westons Constable for the year 1749. 4:12:4

9<sup>th</sup> voted to abate Joseph Lawrence 4:3:0 of Senor which was his Rate to Edmond Westons Constable for his Pole to the Province Rate for the year 1749. 4:3:0

and then the Meeting was adjourned to the Second Monday of October Next at one a Clock after Noon.

10<sup>th</sup> voted to abate Philip Lenors 4:3:0 of Senor which was a Pole Tax for the year 1749 for the Province Rate.

11<sup>th</sup> voted to abate Joseph Richard for his Son Jacob Richard the Province Town and County Rate for the year 1749 the Sum is 4:12:4

12<sup>th</sup> voted to send a Petition to the General Court for to make an act or Law Respecting the aluwife fishery in Middleborough.



MASSACHUSETTS VITAL RECORDS: MIDDLEBOROUGH #66  
TOWN RECORDS & INTENTIONS 1748-1755, dp 28-78 Holbrook



- 13<sup>th</sup> Voted that Peter Oliver Esq. Mr. John Bonnet and Mr. Nathaniel Smith be a Committee to draw a form of an act to be presented to the General Court respecting the Alewife fishery in Middleborough: and make Report to the Town at the adjournment of this meeting and then the meeting was adjourned to the last Monday of this present October at one of the Clock after noon
- 14<sup>th</sup> Voted that the Town vote to fix the place where the fish called Alewives shall be taken
- 15<sup>th</sup> Voted to charge Robert Richmond a collector in the Town and of Henry Richmond's property and take in the Rate Bills and gather all the money that Henry Richmond was to gather: and the Robert Richmond shall be paid of said Town for his services the sum of forty five pounds: and Robert Richmond is to pay in said money agreeable to his Warrants
- 16<sup>th</sup> Voted to abate in Phineas Pratts Rate Bills Nathan Howlands Province Town and County Rate
- 17<sup>th</sup> Voted to send a form of an act to the General Court
- 18<sup>th</sup> Voted that the sum of money being one hundred and fifty pounds that was voted by said Town: be paid in to the Town Treasury by the first day of February 1749
- 19<sup>th</sup> Voted that Peter Oliver Esq. be the Town agent to present a Petition to the General Court and a form of an act to the General Court in the Towns behalf relating to the Alewife fishery in said Town: and then the Meeting was dissolved

at a Town Meeting held in Middleborough December 1749 and at said Meeting William Bryant Edward Palmer and Barnabas Tappan were appointed to drawing out of the Box as the Law directs: to deliver at the Court of Sessions the next General Court of Common Pleas: and at the General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth County for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of January Instant

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 1749 by the Selectmen and others inhabitants of said Town: Edward Workman and Seth Tinkham were appointed to draw out of the Box as the Law directs: to deliver at the Court of Sessions the next General Court of Common Pleas: and at the General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth County for the County of Plymouth on the first day of March Next

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough February 1749  
 Sicut Jonathan Smith was chosen moderator  
 and then the Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Joseph Richard upon the abatement of his Son Joseph Richard in George Shaws Rate Bills and Edmond Woods Rate Bills who was Constable for the years 1747 and 1748 the sum of Six pounds fifteen shillings and 6 pence  
 and then the Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Seth Tinkham agreeable to his account the Town of Middleborough Dr. to me Seth Tinkham in the year 1749 L. 12 Days and 2 half a making the Providence County and Town Rates

To Drawing & warrants	14:16:0
To Eighteen sheets of Paper	2:3:0
To Drawing Copies for the Town Clerk	0:9:0
To Drawing Copies for the Town Clerk	1:12:0
To Comparing the Copies 1/2 Day	0:8:0
Sum Total in the Old Tenor	19:5:0

and then the Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Sicut Jonathan Smith agreeable to his account: the sum of 1749 the Town of Middleborough Dr. to me Sicut Jonathan Smith the sum of 15 Days and 4 pence more by Eight sheets of Paper

The sum Total in the Old Tenor	19:4:0
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and also voted to allow and pay out of the Town Treasury unto Selouas Bryant upon the abatement of Johab Bryants Rate in the Old Tenor the sum of

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And also voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto James Salmon Administrator to the Estate of Mr. John Palmer agreed for nine week keeping school in the year 1746: in the Old Tenor the sum of

	12:0:0
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and then the Meeting was dissolved



1st. Peter Oliver Esq. was Chosen Moderator of said Meeting.

54 Capt. J. Robert Smith and Lieut. Jonathan Smith of  
Nathanil Smith Decon Benj. Tucker and Mr. John  
Wagon Select men

49 Lieut Jonathan Smith Seth Linham and Thomas Rogers  
Jury Assessors

49 m. Elias on the Town Trunk.

24 James Bond John Harris James Scott and Jacob Barden  
Phoenix California

74 *Ignatius Sancti Hieronymi Regalis Sacerdotis*  
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James Smith Paul Hathaway Barnabas Collins  
Caleb Tompson and John Darnall Messengers of the Church

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77 Columbian Exchange - The Great Circle of Letters  
78 The Columbian Exchange - Columbus's Impact

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113. John Taylor, Joseph Whiting, Zenoniah Howard,  
William Nelson, Jr., Joseph Finney and Joseph Linham  
were given full powers.

John and Samuel Johnson Esqrs. Esqrs. Esqrs.  
to the Hon. Esqrs. of the Law relating to Ropes,  
Swimming upon the Common

Thomas Raymond jun. Eben? Linkham Benj<sup>m</sup> Peterson  
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John Soul and Nathan Vaughan were charged to do to  
the Free Negroes of the English Law relating to the  
use of their testimony to said Law

and then the Lord's will that there shall be nothing  
in apparent break taken this spring: as they say up to  
about to 1000 years: but only at the head of the  
break at or near North Smith's Land.

and then the Town voted that there shall be no fift  
taken this spring as they come from Maryland's side  
that have been up into the State to get them down.

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... Gates  
... for the space of three years

and then the Town voted that Nathl<sup>l</sup> Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> shall have  
Liberty to keep Geese or Swans from the above way on his land  
for the space of seven years from the date of this Ordinance and no  
longer and then the meeting adjourned

at a Town Meeting held in the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting House in Middlebury  
May the 7<sup>th</sup> 1750. John Briggs Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator and several others  
were appointed by drawing out of the Town to serve on the Jury  
of Tryals at the next Superior Court of Common Pleas  
of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at the Court  
within and for the County of Plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of May next



at a Town Meeting Held in the old meeting house  
in Middleborough May 21<sup>st</sup> 1750  
Voted that they for the choice of a Representative and  
the Town voted that they would send no person to  
Represent them in the State and General Court this  
present year and then the meeting was dissolved

at a meeting the same day May 21<sup>st</sup> 1750

1<sup>st</sup> List Jonathan Smith was chosen moderator of said meeting  
and then the Town voted to accept of Samuel Wood as a  
Constable in the Room and stead of James Soul who was  
Chosen Constable in March last past in the year 1749  
he procuring a Bondman for said Town for his lying  
in by laws for the above year agreeable to the laws  
and then the Town voted that Nathaniel Smith Junior  
be the person to keep in the Room and stead of Isaac  
Samson Deane: who was a Constable with Thomas Nelson  
and Mr. Ezra Clap to take care of all the poor in  
in Abrahams Pond: and then the meeting was dissolved

at a Town meeting held in the old meeting house  
in Middleborough May 21<sup>st</sup> 1750  
Voted that they for the choice of a Representative and  
the Town voted that they would send no person to  
Represent them in the State and General Court this  
present year and then the meeting was dissolved

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough September  
10<sup>th</sup> 1750 Joseph Leonard Jun<sup>r</sup> and Francis Leonard were  
appointed by drawing out of the Box to be on the  
jury of trials at the next inferior Court of Common Pleas and  
Court of General Sessions of the Peace: to be sworn at the next  
within and for the County of Plymouth: on the third Tuesday  
of September next

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough the meeting house  
in September the 10<sup>th</sup> 1750

1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Ezra Clap was Chosen moderator of said meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> and then the Town voted to raise fifty pounds lawfull money  
for to defray the charge of the labors for the ensuing year and  
also voted that the fifty pounds lawfull money voted by said  
Town be applied by the assessors collected by the collectors: and  
paid out agreeable to the Treasurers and by him paid  
into the Treasurers by the first day of April next the sum  
of fifty pounds of the first day of September next the sum of  
fifty pounds the Town voted to accept of Elijah Clap as a  
Constable in the Room and stead of Sam<sup>l</sup> Wood Deane who  
was hired by James Soul: and accepted by the Town  
3<sup>rd</sup> and then the Town voted that Nathaniel Smith Junior  
be a Constable man in the Room and stead of Nathaniel Smith  
to join with Mr. Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Ezra Clap to take care  
of all the poor in Abrahams Pond: for this Reason that  
Nathaniel Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> and Elijah Clap in the Room of Isaac  
Deane and Nathaniel to serve

4<sup>th</sup> and further the Town voted that Ezra Clap and Mr. Thomas Nelson  
for and in Nathaniel Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> the Constable above: be and hereby  
are empowered to call all such persons to account as have dug or are  
digging or shall dig as much of said bar: or shall be necessary to defray  
the charge of Town or these Constables have been at or may be  
negligent to be at in the digging of said bar: and that said Constables  
may sue for the same: and that they shall have full power at the Towns next  
to prosecute any person or persons that have herebefore or shall  
hereafter dig or carry off any of said bar: without the consent of the  
Town Constables above: and further to defend action at the Court of the  
Town that is or may be commenced against said Constables or any  
person employed by them to dig said bar: and that said Constables  
shall be called to account and turned out when said bar  
shall be broken the paper in the affirmation shall

Ezra Clap Moderator



and then the Town Voted to allow and pay out of the Town Treasury to Capt. Schabod Southworth for one day with the select men laying out a way to Weymouth Bridge: one pound & tenor

also voted to allow and pay to Nathaniel Smith for his services with the select men a laying out a town way to Weymouth Bridge one pound & tenor

also voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Benj. Tucker for his services with the select men a laying out a town way to Weymouth Bridge: one pound & tenor

and then the Town Voted to allow and pay to Thomas Sampson for his services with the select men a laying out a town way to Weymouth Bridge: one pound & tenor

and then the Town Voted to allow and pay out of the Town Treasury to Robert Richmond former collector all Benj. Tucker's day wages for the year 1749: three pounds four shillings & tenor

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to William Cushman Constable three pounds twelve shillings & tenor upon the abatement of Eben. Wood's rate

and also voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto James Palmer Constable Ephraim Norcross Jr. & John Tice

and also voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Thomas Hat Constable four pounds twelve shillings & tenor upon the abatement of Nathaniel's rate

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Edmond Weston Constable upon the abatement of Francis Goward's and Ephraim Donham's rates: three pounds five shillings & tenor

and also voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto William Cushman Constable upon the abatement of Mary Smith's rate

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury unto Edmond Weston Constable four pounds twelve shillings & tenor upon the abatement of Joel Elias's rate

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Edmond Wood Constable seven pounds four shillings & tenor upon the abatement of Joshua Briggs's rate

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Edmond Wood Constable seven pounds four shillings & tenor upon the abatement of Joshua Briggs's rate

and then the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Edmond Weston Constable upon the abatement of Eben. Wood's rate four pounds twelve shillings & tenor

and then the Town Voted to make choice of Eben. Sprout to answer the Town's presentment at the inferior court for there not having a Grammar School Master: and then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough November 20. 1750 and at said meeting Ebenezer Pierce, Ephraim Reynolds and Joseph Kenney were appointed by drawing out of the Box at the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next inferior court of Common Pleas: and for the General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Newmarket within and for the County of Plymouth: on the third Tuesday of December next

At a Town meeting held in Middleborough its meetinghouse by the qualified Inhabitants of said town February 25. 1750 Ebenezer Ephraim Wood was chosen to serve on the Jury for the year ensuing and Ephraim Sampson John Matherly and David Miller were appointed by drawing out of the Box at the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next inferior court of Common Pleas to holden at Newmarket and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March next

At a Town meeting held in the Old meeting house in Middleborough on Monday the 10. day of March 1751 for the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year

Capt. Nathaniel Southworth was chosen moderator of said meeting

Eben. Sprout Town Clerk

Lieut. Jonathan Smith Capt. Nathaniel Smith Deem Benj. Tucker m<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Nelson Jr. and m<sup>r</sup>. Elias Miller Select men

Lieut. Jonathan Smith m<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Nelson Jr. and Eben. Sprout

Joseph Warterman John Knollen Ebenezer Thacker and James Perkins was chosen Constables Town over



Elias Miller Ephraim Reynolds Peter Russell Joseph Holloway  
Thomas Suppen Nathaniel Wood Henry Thomas Josiah Freeman  
David Furtie John Alden Samuel Benson James H. and  
Elkanah Leonard just Surveyors of High ways

Edmond Weston Joseph Lovell Tything men

Ephraim Samson Sealer of Leather

Peter Linkham Abial Hopkins William Lyon feald Drim

Silvester Richmond Joseph Paddock John Miller just Benja  
Wrat: and John Candy fence Viewers

Samuel Donham Jonathan Wood and Benja Borden Ragg Houses

John Cowland Elijah Crag were Chosen to be to the Due observance  
of the Province Law relating to the killing of Deer contrary to  
said Law

Philip Leonard and Manahel Crag was Chosen to be to the Due  
observance of the Laws relating to Ropes running upon Common  
and then if Town accepted of a Town way laid out by the best  
men through meadow & meek

and then the Town voted to take the fish sold at times as they come  
the River this spring open they leave off their draws

and then the Town voted that made fine of David Miller  
to take the Towns fish this year at the said usual place

not below Iron Harbors first mill as they come down this  
year and that he shall take the Towns share upon his own cost and charge

as soon as the fish come down the Hamphat River: and for every  
Load he shall take for any person he shall or may demand the

and receive for each Load he shall so take for any person amounting  
Eight Shillings to the Load the sum of two Shillings and eight pence

shall receive and no more and in keeping Tams having first taken  
his part to the Ware shall have the first Load of fish: and no person shall

have two Load of fish who have had none: have there contrary to the Law  
Ready when the fish come down

and then the Town voted to take the fish this year as they come down  
out of the Long Pond: into a drawing at the high way near Peter Russell

they giving to the ware man two Shillings and eight pence per Load the  
ware man offering the same Rate that David Miller is to observe

and then the Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury for  
both Linkham's Making the Rates in y<sup>e</sup> year 1750 to John Joseph

Administrator to said Ellice the sum of one Pound one Shilling and six pence  
and then the Town by its order that there should be paid out of

of the Town Treasury to said Jonathan Smith John Weston and



Nathaniel Smith Jun for there laying out a Iron way through meadow  
 and the meeting was adjourned to the same Monday of April at  
 one of the clock after noon and then met

and then the Town voted to vote whether the Town will be signified  
 by the Wooders Bridge and Warrens Bridge so called and it passed  
 in the negative.

and then the Town voted to cause John Knotten from being constable  
 this year: and likewise made choice of Henry Mayford to serve as  
 constable in y<sup>e</sup> Room of John Knotten who was chosen and accepted

and then the Town voted, that there should be paid out of the Town  
 Treasury to Jonathan Smith Jun for his Boaring the Town whole  
 Master of his Works at 1: 10: 0 per week 20 Tenors 9: 0: 0

more for his keep for the school master to ride to Bridgwater 1: 0: 0  
 and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to  
 Richard Day for his Boaring the Town School Master seven weeks  
 at one pound ten shillings per week 20 Tenors 10: 10: 0

more for his keep upon the school master come to Bridgwater 1: 10: 0  
 and then the Town voted that Swine shall go at charge this year  
 being voted and Ringed according to Law

And then the meeting was dismissed.

At a Town Meeting held in Middlebrough May 6<sup>th</sup> 1751 Mallych Woodland  
 Jacob Paswell and Thos. Deacon Southworth were appointed by Drawing  
 out of the Box: as the Law directs: to serve on the Jury of Viewers at the  
 next Assizes and Court of Common Pleas: and Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
 to be held at Wimborne within and for the County of Dorset on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
 May Instant

December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1747 Wm Thomas Nelson and Thomas Prince  
 of Middlebrough are appointed by the Church of Swanzey  
 to take and give in a list to the officers of each Precinct of the  
 Town of Middlebrough of the Names of those who are liable to  
 the Service are Proprietors of that Precinct and to frequent at  
 our Meeting for the worship of God on the Lord's Day and on  
 before that day may have the benefit of the Law in that Precinct  
 and Precincts of the Names of those Persons are as follows

as witnesses our hands.  
 Thomas Nelson  
 Thomas Prince  
 John Deacon  
 Maltby Woodland  
 Mollachy Woodland  
 Joseph Deacon

December 20<sup>th</sup> 1747 was the highest amount of the  
 within the list  
 Nathl. Southworth  
 Edward Richmond  
 Stephen Paswell  
 Joseph Deacon  
 Joseph Deacon



We the Subscribers being Requested by several of the Inhabitants of the Eastern Precinct in the Town of Middleborough that we would lay out a Town Way through Mademoiselle's place having done the same as follows

Beginning at a Crooked white oak tree near Black Brook: on the Northernly Side of said Brook: which we marked on the Easternly Side and from thence by a Range of marked Trees: the way to be on the Easternly Side of said marked Trees: untill we come to a bushy timbered place: and so on the Westernly Side of said fence untill we come to Elisha Vaughans house: said way is to go the Easternly Side of said house: and from thence as the way is now run untill we come to a small white oak tree which we marked on the Easternly Side: and from thence by a Range of trees marked untill we come to the Improved Land of the Heirs of Nathan Bennet: said way is to go on the Easternly Side of said marked Trees: and from thence said way is to go on the Easternly Side of said Improved Land untill we come to the Improved Land of Isaac Bennet: and so a Cross said Bennet's Land as the way now goes untill we come to a Wallnut tree standing in the Corner of said Bennet's place marked W. Near the said Head that Leads from Middleborough to Rye: after: and Every part of said way to be thirty feet in breadth and an open way: always provided that the Town be not put to the cost and charge of Purchasing the said way or any part thereof laid out March 1750.

This way was accepted by the Town at Jonathan Smith there Annual Meeting in March 1750 attest Nathl Southworth Moderator of said meeting John Weston

At a Town meeting Held in Middleborough May 25<sup>th</sup> 1751 Peter Hager Esqr was chosen to serve for any Rep<sup>ts</sup> the Town at the Grate and General Court on assembly to be held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of May Instant and so During the Absence and Absences of said Hager and at meeting the same Day Lieut Jonathan Smith was chosen Moderator: and then put to vote whether the Town will accept of Samuel Bennet as a Constable in the Room of George Hayford and it being the Negative and then the meeting was adjourned for half an hour and then met and of meeting was dismissed

at a Town meeting Held in Middleborough July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1751 Silas Barrows and Ephraim Wood was chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and John Montgomery and Israel Thomas were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Appeal and General Goal Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of July Instant

At a Town meeting Held in Middleborough 5<sup>th</sup> meeting held August 26<sup>th</sup> 1751 and at said meeting Lieut Jonathan Smith was chosen Moderator of said meeting and then town voted to allow and pay out of the Town Treasury to Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> for his Court Charges and Expenses about in the year 1750 and 1751 the Sum of 5: 0: 0

2<sup>d</sup> and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Capt Nathaniel Smith in the year 1751 for his Court Charges and Expenses about the Iron Bar: 6: 0: 0

3<sup>d</sup> and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Mr Ezra Clapp for his Court Charges and Expenses about the Iron Bar in the year 1749 and 1750 and 1751 in the whole in old Tenor the Sum of fifty nine Pounds eighteen shillings and ten Pence. 59: 18: 10

4<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprague for Cash he paid at the Inferiour Court in the year 1750 and going after a School master for the town in old Tenor the Sum of nine Pounds ten shillings. 9: 10: 0

5<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Uriah Sampson administrator to the Estate of Isaac Sampson Deced<sup>t</sup> for said Isaac's Court Charges and Expenses about the Iron Bar in the year 1749 in old Tenor the Sum of forty Pounds eighteen shilling. 40: 18: 0

6<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Uriah Sampson administrator to the Estate of Isaac Sampson Deced<sup>t</sup> for said Isaac's Court Charges and Expenses about the Iron Bar in the year 1749 the Sum of eighty three Pounds ten shilling and old Tenor. 83: 10: 0

and then Treasurer about the forty on and then and Lieut Bar: an meeting and then town Tre of Joshua Mopken three for and the Treasury Whites and old Tenor and then to Ben carrying Pounds and then to Debra and then in the R his bond and then paid to Treasur and the Constable Barrows



and then the town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Uriahe Sampson ~~Deputy~~ for his Court charges and expenses ~~about~~ the Iron Bar in the year 1750 and 1751 the sum of forty one pounds seven shillings and seven pence 41:7:0

and then the town voted that John Sampson Deacon Benjamin and Lieut. Jacob Tompson be a committee for the town's behalf to examine the accounts of the town's Comtee relating to the Iron Bar: and to render an account of their doings at the next town meeting

and then the town voted that there should be paid out of the town Treasury to William Hoar Constable upon the abatement of Joshua Spooner and Job Simmons and Caleb Raymond and Mepher Donham's Rates in the old town the sum of twenty three pounds five shillings 23:5:0

and the town voted that there should be paid out of the town Treasury to Robert Richmond Collector upon the abatement of Esq. White's Rate the sum of eight pounds sixteen shillings and six pence 8:16:0

and then voted that there should be paid out of the town Treasury to ~~Ben~~ Cap for his drawing a copy of the Rate Bills and carrying them to Boston in the year 1744 the sum of two pounds 2:0:0

and then the town voted to raise fifty pounds Lawfull money to Defray the Charges of said work for the ensuing year

and then the town voted to accept of Samuel Bonnet as a constable in the Room of Benja Hadford and Silvanus Barrows appear for his bondsman to Endemnify the town

and then voted that the fifty pounds Lawfull money is voted to be paid to Defray the Charges of the town be paid into the town Treasury by the 15th Day of April next

and the town voted to accept of Samuel Bonnet as a Constable in the Room of James Dickens and Silvanus Barrows appear to be his bondsman to Endemnify the town and then the meeting was Dismissed

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough at meeting house September the 11th 1751. Nathan Hoshins and Benjamin both were appointed by Drawing out of the Box to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas: and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of September Instant

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough at meeting house 1751: Abial Leach and Abial Hoshins were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs, to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of December Next

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough at meeting house November the 19th 1751: and at said meeting Lieut. Jonathan Smith was chosen moderator

the town voted that the action depending in the Law between the town and onr Thomas Wedd. Relating to the Wedd: being Rated in the year 1750 be Defended by his appears at the town's cost and Charge

and then the town voted to choose a Comtee to examine the town Treasury's accounts

and then the town voted that Caleb Tompson: John Tompson and Thomas Nelson Junr be a Comtee to examine the town Treasury's accounts and to make report of their doings after they have acted agreeable to this vote and then the meeting was Dismissed

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough at meeting house Feb: 24th 1752 Eben: Thomas was chosen for to govern the Grand Jury for the ensuing year: and James Boul and Nathan Prat: were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas: and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March next



At a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough  
meeting house: March the 16: 1752  
for the Choice of Town Officers for the year ensuing

- 1<sup>st</sup> Peter Oliver Esq. was chosen moderator.
- 2<sup>d</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup>. Sproutt was chosen Town Clerk.
- 3<sup>d</sup> Leat Jonathan Smith: Capt Nathl<sup>l</sup> Smith Deon Benja<sup>r</sup> Tucker and m<sup>r</sup>. Elias Miller and m<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> were chosen select men.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Leat Jonathan Smith m<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> and Eben<sup>r</sup>. Sproutt Assessors.
- 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>r</sup>. Elias Miller Town Treasurer.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup>. Raymond: Seth Sampson John Warren and Thomas Duggall were chosen Constables.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Coombs Barrows Silvester Richmond Isaac Pierce Jun<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Warren: Joseph Bates Jun<sup>r</sup>: Joseph Lovel Samuel Smith Joshua White John Knotten Calal Benson Nelson Fenner Josiah Richmond Surveyors of high ways.
- 8<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. Sears and Edward Washburne Sighting men.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Ephraim Sampson Sealer of Leather.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Jabez Fushman John Reed and William Reed were chosen field officers.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Eben Wood Oliver Prat Jun<sup>r</sup> John Longd<sup>r</sup> Jonathan and Robert Richmond and John Montgomery were chosen Hogg Reeves.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Leadiak Holmes Samuel Donham Christopher Richmond were chosen Hogg Reeves.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Henry Thomas and Nathan Grant were chosen to see to the due observance of the province law relating to the killing of deer contrary to said law.
- 14<sup>th</sup> John Prat and Joseph France were chosen to see to the due observance of the Law relating to Hogs Running upon the Common.
- 15<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there shall be no fish taken this year after they have lost their inkwone.

and then voted that Samuel Prat and Nathan Thomas be the persons to take care that there be no obstructions in the River this year to the fish: as they come down after they have been up into the ponds to cast their inkwone.

and also voted that swine shall go at large this year being yoked and Ringed: according to Law.

and also voted to Dismiss Nathaniel Smith this year from serving as a Constable this present year.

1751 the Town of Middleborough D<sup>r</sup>. to Eben<sup>r</sup>. Sproutt for four days Valuing the Estates in said Town Law full money. £0: 10: 8  
to making the province Rate six Days. 0: 16: 0  
to writing three warrants for the Constables. 0: 3: 0  
for copying four Tax Lists and finding paper. 0: 8: 4  
to writing Certificates for the select men to Perambulate the Town line betwixt Middleborough and Taunton and freetown. £1: 5: 4  
Lawfull money £1: 19: 4

1751 the Town of Middleborough D<sup>r</sup>. to Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> for 4 Days Valuing the Estates. 4: 0: 0  
more to making the province Rate 8 Days. 8: 0: 0  
more to six Days making the Town Rate and drawing four Lists for the Constables and drawing them. £6: 0: 0  
the sum is £8: 8: 0 D<sup>r</sup>. for Lawfull money £18: 8: 0  
Lawfull money 2: 4: 0

September 1751 the Town of Middleborough D<sup>r</sup>. to Thomas Nelson Jun<sup>r</sup> for three Days attending Court in answer to m<sup>r</sup>. Thomas D<sup>r</sup>. £1: 5: 0  
Petition to have his Rate remitted. 3: 0: 0  
more to my Expenses at said Court and Capreney. 3: 9: 0  
more to one Dollar paid to Hovey. 2: 5: 0  
December 1751 to three Days attending Court on the same. 3: 0: 0  
more to my Expenses at said Court. D<sup>r</sup>. £1: 1: 0  
in Lawfull money 2: 0: 0

1751 October the 5<sup>th</sup> the Town of Middleborough D<sup>r</sup>. to Nathl<sup>l</sup> Smith for making the province Tax and the Town and County Rates: (the whole time is ten Days) D<sup>r</sup>. £1: 1: 0  
Lawfull money £1: 6: 8



September the 28<sup>th</sup> 1751 <sup>Middleborough</sup> Town of <sup>to</sup> Jonathan Smith to his  
Time and Expenses in <sup>up</sup> Defending the Cause betwixt  
the Town and Mr. Thomas Wild at September Court 1751  
in the Old Tenor. . . . . £5:6:6

December the 16<sup>th</sup> 1751 the Town of Middleborough  
to Jonathan Smith for his Court Charges and  
Expenses in Defending the C<sup>ase</sup> betwixt Mr. Wild  
and the Town: at December Court 1751 at Old Tenor. . . . . 2:1:0

Lawfull money £7:7:6

the Town of Middleborough to Capt. Nathaniel Smith  
Thomas Nelson Jun. and Mr. Elias Miller for perambulating  
the Line betwixt Sutton and Middleborough March  
1752: that is to say To Capt. Nath<sup>l</sup> Smith 3 Days at 20<sup>s</sup>. 3:0  
to Thomas Nelson Jun. for 2 Days . . . . . 0:5:4  
to Elias Miller for 2 Days . . . . . 0:5:4  
Lawfull money £4:10:8

March 16<sup>th</sup> 1752  
and then voted to allow and pay to Eben<sup>r</sup>. Raymond for his  
Keeping Jonathan Wild and his family in the winter  
past in the year 1751: in Lawfull money £1:8:9

The Town of Middleborough to Ephraim Wood for  
his attendance at September Court and at December  
Court and giving Justice in the C<sup>ase</sup> betwixt the Town of  
Middleborough and Mr. Thomas Wild Lawfull money £0:15:8

the Town of Middleborough to Jacob Tompson for his  
attending at September Court and as an Evidence in the C<sup>ase</sup>  
of Mr. Wild & Travel Lawfull money £0:5:3  
for four Days attending at December Court . . . . . 0:4:3  
Sept and Travel March 16<sup>th</sup> 1752 Lawfull money 0:13:8

1751 The Town of Middleborough to Jacob Tompson  
for a Day and a half making up accounts with the  
Committee Relating to the Town ear . . . . . 0:4:0  
Paid to Eben<sup>r</sup>. Sprout for Copy Lawfull money £4:10:10

1751 The Town of Middleborough to Joseph Litcham for  
his attendance at September Court and as a Justice in the C<sup>ase</sup> of  
betwixt the Town and Mr. Thomas Wild Lawfull money 15:0  
and then the town voted that there should be paid out of the Town  
Treasury unto John Allen upon the statement of George D  
holders Rate in the year 1746: Old Tenor. . . . . £1:10:7

The Town of Middleborough to John Tompson for  
one Day and half to examine the Com<sup>tee</sup> accounts relating  
to the Town ear. in the Old Tenor. . . . . £1:10:0

March 16<sup>th</sup> 1752 Lawfull money £0:4:0

and then voted that fifteen shillings and six pence three farthings be  
deducted of James Palmers Constable List: 1749 for Aja Thomas Province  
Town and County Rate Lawfull money . . . . . £0:15:6 3/4

March the 16<sup>th</sup> 1752 and voted that all the accounts that have  
been allowed and voted shall be paid out of the Treasury:  
and then the meeting was Dismissed

at a Town meeting Held in Middleborough May 11<sup>th</sup> 1752  
William Short: and Phineas Prat were appointed by drawing  
out of the Box: as the Law Directs: to serve on the Jury  
of Tryals: at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and  
Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth  
within and for the County of Plim<sup>th</sup>: on the third Tuesday of  
May Instant —

at a Town meeting Held in Middleborough May the 16<sup>th</sup>  
1752: for the choice of a Representative) and the Town made  
choice of Peter Oliver Esqr. to represent them in the  
Grate and General Court: but he refused: to serve: and  
then voted: not to choose any other Person: and the meeting was  
Dismissed

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough June 24<sup>th</sup> 1752  
Capt. Nathaniel Smith: and Ephraim Wood was chosen to  
serve on the Grand Jury: and Nathaniel Smith Jun<sup>r</sup>: and  
David Allen were appointed by drawing out of the Box  
as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury Tryals at the next  
next Inferiour Court of Judicature Court of assize and  
General Goal Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within  
and for the County of Plimouth on the second Tuesday of July  
next







Old Tenor for Mr Isaac Sampson and Sarah Sampson  
In paying Mr Jonathan King of Taunton to give evidence  
in the case relating to the Iron Bar - 16: 0: 0  
and then the meeting was adjourned unto Monday the  
Seventh Day of September at two of the Clock in the  
After Noon.

The Town of Middleborough Dr to Elias Miller Town  
Treasurer is as followeth the sums so paid

1	Paid unto Mr Samuel Shaker which was voted to him by the Town and took his receipt	Old Tenor
2	Paid to Mr Joseph Linckham which was voted to him	12: 10: 0
3	Paid to Mr Silvanus Barrows which was voted to him	2: 10: 0
4	Paid to Mr Henry Wood which was voted to him	4: 10: 0
5	Paid to Capt Nathaniel Southworth which was voted to him	35: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Samuel Shaker by order of the select men	53: 10: 0
	Paid to Mr John Linckham which was voted to him	23: 4: 0
	Paid to Mr John Tompson which was voted to him	16: 1: 0
	Paid to Mr John Tompson by order of the select men	23: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Nathaniel Smith which was voted to him	4: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Silvanus Barrows which was voted to him	2: 2: 9
	Paid to Mr John Bennett which was voted to him	2: 4: 0
	Paid to Capt Eben? morton which was voted to him	6: 15: 0
	Paid to Mr Benjamin Williston by order of the select men	14: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Thomas Nelson for his taking of a relation of State	12: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Thimias Prat which was voted to him	9: 9: 4
	Paid to Mr John Linckham for his taking of a relation of State	29: 5: 0
	Paid to Joseph Rich which was voted to him	53: 7: 0
	Paid to James Palmer which was voted to him	6: 19: 0
	Paid to Mr Elizabeth Packard by order of the select men	12: 0: 0
	Paid to Isaac Maria Tucker which was voted to him	58: 0: 0
	Paid to Philip Leonard which was voted to him	1: 0: 0
	Paid to Jonathan Smith which was voted to him	4: 3: 0
	Paid to Lieut Jonathan Smith which was voted to him	10: 0: 0
	Paid to Mr Robert Richman which was voted to him	33: 8: 0
	Paid to Mr John Howland which was voted to him	48: 0: 0
	Paid to William Reed which was voted to him by order of the select men	10: 4: 8
		25: 0: 0

Paid to Zechariah Eddy which was voted to him	12: 0: 0
Paid to John Tompson which was voted to him	7: 17: 6
Paid to John Palmer which was voted to him	2: 17: 0
Paid to John Linckham which was voted to him	22: 0: 0
Paid to Mr Edmund Weston which was voted to him	83: 17: 0
Paid to William Cushman which was voted to him	4: 9: 0
Paid to Sarah Sampson which was voted to him	26: 11: 0
Paid to Mr Ezra Capps which was voted to him	61: 13: 10
Paid to Mr Thomas Nelson which was voted to him	23: 15: 0
Paid to Mr Robert Richmond which was voted to him	12: 12: 0
Paid to Ephraim Wood which was voted to him	5: 12: 6
Paid to Capt Richard Southworth which was voted to him	1: 0: 0
Paid to Mr John Russell by order of the select men and took his receipt	40: 0: 0
Paid to Capt Nathaniel Smith which was voted to him	13: 10: 0
Paid to my self which was voted to me by the Town	2: 0: 0
Paid to Mr Thomas Nelson which was voted to him	5: 4: 0
Sum Total Dr	745: 13: 6

The Town of Middleborough Dr to Elias Miller Town Treasurer Credit	Old Tenor
Recd of Mr George Shattuck Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	20: 16: 0
Recd of Josiah Wood upon the account of the Range the Town had been a part of and Mary Wood and Give him a Receipt	45: 5: 0
Recd of Edward Washburn Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	26: 14: 0
Recd of Peter Oliver Esq? for fines	1: 0: 0
Recd of Joseph Henney Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	26: 4: 0
Recd of Thimias Prat Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	44: 0: 0



Recd. of Mr. Jacob Tompson former Town Treasurer being what was due from him to the Town on 14:4	26:14:4
Recd. of Lieut. Jonathan Smith which money he Recd. of Malachi Howland being for his Refusing to serve in the office of a Constable	20:0:0
Recd. of William Cushman and Give him a Receipt in full	12:6:10
Recd. of Mr. John Alden Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	14:5:0
Recd. of Edmund Weston Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	24:0:0
Recd. of Elkanah Parver Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	34:2:6
Recd. of Mr. Sabel Thomas Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	17:5:0
Recd. of Peter Oliver Esqr. and Give him a Receipt in full for the fifty Pounds that he gave to the Town	50:0:0
Recd. of Jonathan Hawley Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	33:14:7
Recd. of William Hoar Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	29:3:0
Recd. of Edmund Wood Collector in the Room of Nathan Bonnet Constable and Give a Receipt in full	22:0:0
Recd. of Mr. James Palmer Constable and Give a Receipt in full	38:1:0
Recd. of Jacob Sherman Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	47:4:8
Recd. of John Harris Constable and Give Receipt in Part	90:0:4
Recd. of Robert Richmond Collector and Give him a Receipt in full	93:19:1



Recd. of John Howland Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	1: 13: 11
Recd. of John Parris Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	26: 10: 0
Recd. of Jabez Wood Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	62: 4: 1
Recd. of Elijah Clapp Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	92: 13: 9
Recd. of Jacob Barden Constable and Give him Receipts in Part	42: 14: 4
Recd. of Jabez Wood Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	13: 2: 2
Recd. of Joseph Waterman Constable and Give him a Receipt in Part	4: 0: 0
Received of John Parris Constable and Give him a Receipt in full	4: 12: 0
Recd. of Eben: Sproull and Give him a Receipt which was for a fine of Samuel Pratt	7: 10: 0
The sum total that I have Received	395: 11: 3
The sum that I have Paid is in so far as	705: 13: 6
Due from me to the Town	309: 17: 9
The before written is a true account of the Receipts and Disbursements from March 23: 1744: to August 24: 1752 Attest Elias Miller Town Treasurer	



August the 13<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Abraham  
 Bardon of Middleborough and Susanna Turkey of Taunton  
 by me Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 December 25<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Ephraim  
 Boynt of Taunton and Abigail Chubb of Middleb:  
 by me Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 December 26<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John Lebarre  
 and Mary Raymond both of Middleborough by me  
 Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 December 28<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Moses Cushman of  
 Taunton and Rachel Beate of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 January the 2<sup>nd</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between James Weston and  
 Abigail Donham both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 January the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between William Macfarlane  
 and Elizabeth Duggles both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 January the 20<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Nathaniel Southwell  
 Jun: and Susanna Smith both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 January the 25<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Saml: of Middleb:  
 Negro man servant to Mr: Mary Machen and Martha  
 Salute Indian woman: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 Feb: the 9<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Capt: John  
 Greston and Hannah Beate of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 March the 4<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between  
 Jun: and Sarah Booth both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 March the 29<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between  
 man servant to Saml: William of Taunton: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 Servant to Capt: Nathaniel Southwell of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 April the 15<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
 and Eunice Sinkham Jun: both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 April the 15<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between  
 Kathsheba Wood both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 April the 19<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Madam  
 of Middleb: and Johna Bumpas of Taunton: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 May the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between  
 Douglas of Middleb: and Priscilla Deal of Bridg: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk

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May the 20<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John Morten  
 of Sandwich: and Deborah Norton of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 May the 20<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John Hackett and Betty  
 Jamison both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 June the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Nathan Fuller of  
 Rattlesden and Mary Parson of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between James Shale  
 and Lois Thomas both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between James Houten  
 Jun: of Middleb: and Katherine Howard of Taunton pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John Whelan and  
 Hannah Vaughan both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 August the 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between Nathaniel  
 Jun: and Susanna Smith both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 August the 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
 Smith of Middleb: and Anna Macomber of Taunton pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 August the 2<sup>nd</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
 Hannah Miller both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 August the 20<sup>th</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
 Thomas Jun: and Keziah Churchell both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 September 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
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 and Hannah both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
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 and Sarah both of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
 October 1<sup>st</sup> 1749 I Published a Purpoe of marriage between John  
 of Taunton and Mary Beate of Middleb: pr Ben: Sprout Town Clerk  
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And Priscilla Bates both of the Town of Middleborough  
Dec. 7. 1797

Wife of the Town of Middleborough Hannah Smith of

1760: I published a Purport of marriage between Josiah [unclear]  
and the said Prosser on both of the Town of Middleboro: p. 2. 3. 4.

1762 Published a Sermon of Marriage between William  
and Johanna Simtham both of the Town of Middleboro.

Published a Purport of Marriage between Jos. Highland and  
 Penninga both of Middlebury. N. H. Ebenezer Small Town Clerk

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Chenington and Elizabeth ... of ... p. 6. I have ...

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1761. Published a Purpose of Marriage between Protestants

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1894: 3. *Phyllis* - Marriage between Noah  
and his children. *Immortal of Rochester* p. 18.

Mannah Barrows. Friendborough? San? Spence?

Published a proposal of marriage between John Barrow of  
London and Miss Anne D. Weston and Charles D. Weston



December 6. 1750. Published a Purport of Marriage between Thomas  
Pirkens of Bridgewater and Experience Holmes of Middle  
pr  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Jernett Town Clerk

December 15. 1750 & Published a Purpose of Marriage between Sam. Crompton  
and Abiah Richmond both of Middlebury in N. B. 1750

December 29. 1750 I published a Report of my journey to the Cape of Good Hope  
 and the discovery of the Cape of Good Hope.

January 5<sup>th</sup> 1750<sup>th</sup> Published a Purpose of marriage between Jonathan Wood  
Jr. of Bridgewater and Judah Wood of Northborough by S. Smith Town

January 19<sup>th</sup> 1750 I Published a Purpoise of marriage between Jonathan Pelt  
and Rationice Benson both of Middleborough p<sup>r</sup> Hon<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>rs</sup> and W<sup>rs</sup>  
there a P<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>

January: 10<sup>th</sup> 1750? Published a Purport of marriage between Peter Vaughan  
and Joanna Barrow both of Middleborough. Sh. Sp. Smith.

Feb. 27. 1790 Published a purpose of marriage between Daniel Correy of  
Middleborough and Sarah Prosser of Winton N. H. 2. 1790

In February 1750 I published a discourse of marriage between America Negroes  
of all colors and black people residing in N.D. &c.

February: 16<sup>th</sup> 1700. I published a Purse of marriage between John  
of Winton and Mary Lord of Winton. &c.

March: 16<sup>th</sup> 1750 I published a Purse of marriage between the Rev. Mr. Nathan Stone of Southborough and Mrs. Mary Thompson of Middlebury

March 20. 1750. I published a Purport of marriage betwixt <sup>my</sup> self & <sup>my</sup> self

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1790. Published a Purpose of Marriage between William  
Bridgwater and Martha Thomas of Middleborough p. 87

March 28, 1912. The birds are now in the  
nest and the birds are in the nest. The birds are in the nest.  
April 1, 1912. The birds are now in the nest. The birds are in the nest.

April 15<sup>th</sup> 1790 Settled a dispute of marriage between the Heirs of  
Conant of Middleborough and Mrs. Sarah Williams of Roxbury  
for one . . . . . Robert Smith Town Clerk

April 17, 1761. Nullified a Purpose of Marriage between John and Catherine  
and Patience Mackin of the Union of Middleborough p. 82. 1761

April 27, 1754. I published a Purport of marriage between Daniel Murphy of  
Dorham and Alice Hall of Southborough. p. 8. & signed from p.  
with 25. mts. I published a Purport of marriage between

April 27: 1756 Published a Purport of marriage between James Lebaron  
Raymond Esq. and Martha Lebaron both of Middleborough  
Mass.

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May 2<sup>d</sup> 1751: I published a Purpose of marriage between Seth Morton  
of Middleborough: and Lydia Hall of Sandwich: & Son.

May 4<sup>th</sup> 1751: I Published a Purport of marriage between Elkanah Leonard Jun: and Deliverance Smith both of the Town

of Middleborough pr. Eben<sup>r</sup> Spruett Town Clerk

May 20. 1811. returned purpose of marriage between Nathan  
Thomas and Sarah Sturtevant both of Middleborough  
per. Hon. J. Smith Town Clerk

May 29<sup>th</sup> 1751. Published a paper of marriage between Samuel  
Bart and Sarah Fuller with 4 witnesses.

and a distance of miles north of Middleborough pr.  
 Genl. Smith's Troop (Car)  
 Dec 1st 1861 I Published a Purdon & Mannion. Vol. 1. P. 1. B. 1.

enc 1: 1751. furnished a Surpse of marriage between Thomas Baker  
of Rainham and the wido Hannah Crosman of Middleham  
per Ebenezer Smith Town Clerk

me 1751. I published a Purport of marriage between Samuel  
Robertson & L. J. Powell

Shirers of Taunton and Weymouth that of Middleborough  
 Ebene Sprunt Town Clerk

June 3. 1761 I published a proposal of marriage between Sophia  
Payson of Middleborough and William Lucas of

June 15. 1791 I published a Purport of marriage between John D. and

and Mary Braxley both of Middleborough & Inhabitants  
part 3. 1751. Published a Dispensation of marriage between Indian

I published a paper of marriage between Elizabeth Washburn of Clinton by L. Spruell Town

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September 9<sup>th</sup> 1841. A report of marriage between Jacob Reynolds of  
21<sup>st</sup> 1841 and Rebecca Ann Mather of Taunton p. 20<sup>th</sup> 1841.

September 29<sup>th</sup> 1751 I Published a Purport of Marriage between amos  
the son of John & Elizabeth of Middleborough.

*Linhkam: and Sarah Linham both of Middleborough  
for Ann Sprague*

Published a Surpise of marriage between George Rich-  
mond and Hannah Carwell both of Middleburgh. & printed  
at New York by J. B. De Vinne of marriage between Samuel L. Simon

1761. Published a copy of marriage between Samuel Landon  
of Plymouth and Elizabeth Ellis of W. Dorchester  
W. Thos. Spruett Secy.



- October 15<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between John Thomas and Mercy Shaw both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 17<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Jonathan Smith and Rhoda Thomas both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 28<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Jonathan Rayson of Nintun and Mary Shaw of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- November 2<sup>nd</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Vaughan of Middleborough and Hannah Rayson of Rochester. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- November 14<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Garthorn Coburn and Elizabeth Corbett both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- December the 6<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Dickens of Middleborough and Abigail Briggs of Taunton. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- December 7<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Hayford and Eliza Sprout both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- December 7<sup>th</sup> 1751 I published a purpose of marriage between Nathl. Campas and Abigail Vaughan both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- January 18<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between John Booth and Lydia Richardson both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- Febr 15<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Richard of Middleborough and Martha Mitchell of Kingston. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- Febr 19<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between James Palmer of Middleborough and Maria Nye of Nintun. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- March 13<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Churchell Junr and Hannah Wood both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk

- March 14<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between James Howard of Wino and Mercy Warren of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- April 4<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Leonard the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Abigail Rayson both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- April 11<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between James Smith of Middleborough and Abigail Hayward of Bridgewater. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- April 18<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Josiah Wood and Keziah both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- April 18<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Downing and Dorothy Niles both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- May 18<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Ephraim Wood and Mary Soul both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- June 13<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Elias Wood and Trisilla Cob both of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- August 2<sup>nd</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Jonathan Donham of Middleborough and Ann Elliot of Raynham. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 5<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Moses Harris of Middleborough and Sarah May of Hallowell. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 15<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Nathan Sanders of Wareham and Ruth Benson of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 26<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin of Dartmouth and Lydia Bartol of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk
- October 28<sup>th</sup> 1752 I published a purpose of marriage between James of Middleborough and Mary of Middleborough. E. Sprout Town Clerk



at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough August 29  
1752 and continued by adjournment to September the 14<sup>th</sup> 1752  
and then met at said meeting the town voted that  
there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Peter  
Linger Esq. the only bounds of Town upon the account of  
the the line to the River at in the Town  
about John Miller at the Superior Court in the year  
1751. L.O.O.O

and then voted that there should be paid out of the  
Town Treasury to Ebenezer Smith Six pounds on account  
being the sum that he paid to John James Esq. by order  
of the Court for the year 1751. L.O.O.O

and then voted that there should be paid out of the  
Town Treasury to Thomas Nelson for his share he paid to  
Mr. Jonathan King for his share at the Superior Court  
as an evidence about the line in the year 1751. L.O.O.O

and then voted that there should be paid out of the Town  
Treasury to Silvanus Warren for his horse hire and  
expence to fetch a school Master from Danvers in the year  
1751 Seven pounds. L.O.O.O

and then voted by receipt of John Duggett as for sale  
in the Room and Head of Thomas Duggett who was chosen  
in March Last 1752.

and then the meeting was adjourned to the first  
of October at two of the Clock in the afternoon and then  
to select of Ebenezer Wood as Constable in the Room  
and Head of John Warren: who was chosen in March  
Last past.

and then the meeting was dismissed

at a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough November 28  
1752 Benjamin Hat and Robert Hoar were appointed  
by Drawing out of the Box of the Law Directs to serve on  
the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common  
Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be  
holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth  
on the third Tuesday of December Next

Be it known to all men by these Presents that we  
Nathaniel Smith Thomas Nelson In Elias Miller  
being the Major part of the Select men of Middleborough  
in the County of Plymouth & Abial Ferry and John Winslow  
being the Major part of the select men of Free town in the  
County of Bristol: have met to Run & Preamble &  
Renew the bounds between said Middleborough and Free town as  
followeth: Viz beginning at the heap of Stones in the Root  
of the Maple Tree formerly marked standing by the North side  
of a small River: being the southerly corner bounds of the Town  
ship of Free town which bounds we Renewed; and from thence Run-  
ning South East and by South: one Degree Easterly by a Range  
of marked Trees one Mile and a half & twenty four poles or there  
abouts to a white oak Tree marked on four sides with Stones about  
it; which bounds we Renewed: and from thence Ranging  
South west and by South one Degree Easterly sixteen poles and  
a half to the heap of Stones which is said to be at the head of the  
four mile line from Stages Creek which bounds we Renewed  
from thence on a Range Running South west and by South one Degree  
Southerly by a Range of marked Trees until it meet with the Stake  
and head of a Run of Water in the side of a Swamp at  
the North west Corner of a Plot of upland which Stake and head of  
Stones was formerly a bound between Middleborough and Free town  
which Plot of Free town is now a part of Free town: which bound we  
Renewed: and from thence turning due East by a Range of marked Trees  
until we come to a Rock with a heap of Stones on it by the west side of a  
Plot of land which bounds we Renewed: and so on the same East line a cross  
to a heap of Stones on a Rock which bound we Renewed: and from  
thence still Ranging due East by a Range of marked Trees to a heap  
of Stones on the top of the Rock which bound we Renewed: and from  
thence still Ranging due East to a heap of Stones on a Rock by the  
West side of the Long Pond which bound we Renewed: and from  
thence still Ranging due East a cross Long Pond to a heap of Stones marked  
by the East side of the Long Pond which bound we Renewed: and from  
thence still Ranging due East to a Pine stump with Stones about it  
which bound we Renewed: and from thence still Ranging due East to a  
Stake with Stones about it which Stake and Stones was an ancient corner  
bound between Rochester and Middleborough Free town standing in Middle-  
borough Line which bound we Renewed in witness whereof we have  
hereunto set our hands this Thirtieth Day of March 1752

Nathaniel Smith  
Thomas Nelson  
Elias Miller  
Abial Ferry  
John Winslow  
Select men  
Middleborough  
Free town



At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough Feb<sup>y</sup> 26. 1753 Eben<sup>r</sup> Thomas was chosen to serve on the Grand Jury for the ensuing year: and Samuel Smith & James Rob were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Wilmouth within and for the County of Wilmouth on the first Tuesday of March next.

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough Feb<sup>y</sup> 29. 1753 Mr. John Weston was chosen Moderator of said Meeting.

and at said meeting the Town Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Lieut Jonathan Smith for his making Rates in the year 1752 one Hundred full money. . . . . £1: 0: 0

and then the Town Voted to pay to Thomas Nelson for 15<sup>th</sup> Days making the Province Town and County Rates in the year 1752: Lunefull money. . . . . £2: 0: 0

and then Voted to pay to Eben<sup>r</sup> Sparrow out of the Town Treasury for six Days making the Province Rates 0: 16: 0 more for time spent about the County & Town Rates and writing four warrants and finding Paper &c. all money 0: 6: 3 to Copying four Tax Lists and finding Paper . . . . . 0: 8: 4 October 17: 1752 . . . . . £1: 10: 7

and then Voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury to Elijah Hall for his Boarding the Town School Master Mr. John Russell at 2<sup>d</sup> Week & a half at four shillings p<sup>r</sup> Week in the year 1752 Lunefull money. . . . . £1: 6: 0

and then Voted to pay to Eben<sup>r</sup> Sparrow out of the Town Treasury to Lieut Miller for six Weeks and a half Boarding the Town School Master Mr. John Russell at 2<sup>d</sup> Week Lunefull money 1: 6: 0 to Keeping his horse the same time in the year 1752 0: 3: 0

and Voted to pay out of the Town Treasury to Nathaniel Smith for 13 weeks holding the Town School Master Mr. John Russell at 2<sup>d</sup> Week Lunefull money 1: 14: 0 in the year 1752 in Lunefull money. . . . . £2: 12: 0

and then Voted that there shall be free Liberty to Take the fish called alwives at the old Stone ward this Present year . . . . .

and then the Town Voted and Ordered that there shall be no Alwives Taken this Spring as they pass up the Narragansett River into the Woods to get their spawn: at or Near the Slitting mill on Friday Night at home till Monday Night at the Stone Slitting: and the other Days any Person shall have free Liberty to Take the Slitting mill: and if any Person or Persons shall Take any alwives: Contrary to the Towns Vote at or Near the Slitting mill: Such Person or Persons for Every such offence shall forfeit and pay a fine of Twenty Shillings the one half to the Informer and the other half for the Use of the Poor of the Town

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough March the 19<sup>th</sup> 1753: for the Choice of Town Officers and the other Business in the Warming

Peter Oliver Esqr was Chosen Moderator

Eben<sup>r</sup> Sparrow Town Clerk

Lieut Jonathan Smith Mr. Elias Miller, Mr. Thomas Nelson were Chosen Select men

Mr. Elias Miller Town Treasurer

James Hall, Moses Eddy, Caleb Benson and Nathaniel Smith were Chosen Constables

David Dean, Combs Barrows, Edward Warburton, Isaac Pine, John Haines, William Thomas, Josiah Freeman, Ezra Washburn, Barnabas Eaton, Samuel Benson, Noah Thomas & Abner Leonard were Surveyors of High Ways

Benjamin Pratt, Herchiah Furrington were Chosen Tythingmen

Ephraim Sampson was Chosen Sealer of Letter

Manuel Elgar, John Leonard & Robert Richmond were Chosen Justices of the Peace

William Cushman, Isaac Tinkham, John Red, Joseph Smith & William Nelson were Chosen Justice Viewers

Isaac Howland, Benjamin Warren, and Timothy Silson were Chosen Hog Reeves



Robert Barrows Malachi Howland were chosen to see to the  
Due observance of the Province Law relating to the Killing of  
Deer contrary to said Law

Ephraim Wood Junr & James Fannuc were chosen to see to the  
Due observance of the Law relating to Horses running upon Common

and then voted that there shall be no fish Taken this spring  
in Nemasket River or as they come down said River  
after that have been up in to the River to lose their spawn

and then the meeting was adjourned to the first Monday in April  
Next at one o'clock in the afternoon

and then voted to accept of Mr Samuel Bennett as Constable in  
the Room & stead of Nathaniel Smith Junr. Salub Benson, Moses  
Perry: Provided that if before mentioned Persons give Bonds to  
Exonerate the Town

and then the Town by vote accepted of a highway or laid out  
by the select men to Warham

and then of Town by vote accepted of Part of a Highway as  
Laid out by the select men from Woodwards Bridge so called to the  
Breckade Road so called and the ways are as follows

Nice the Subscribers select men of the Town of Middleborough  
being requested to Lay out a highway from Mr Thomas Raymond  
to Wardham and said way is laid out as follows  
from Mr Thomas Raymond by the hope that Thomas Willson  
built to where it now is and from thence where it now is  
over a flow about twenty rods from said flow upon the North  
Side of a white Oak Tree marked W and from thence by a range  
of marked Trees to a Black Oak Tree marked W on the South Side  
of said Tree: and from thence in the Old way where it is now  
go to a small Black Oak Tree marked W which stand near  
the house of Salub Benson and from thence to the  
which Road was laid out from Rochester to Limouth

Dated Middleborough of or March 9<sup>th</sup> 1753

Middleborough March 19<sup>th</sup> 1753

The Town at their annual meeting accepted

of the above way as laid out: Provided

the Town shall be at the cost of Purchasing

the said way & other necessary expenses

Nathl Smith

Benja Tucker

Elias Miller

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man of  
Middleborough



The Turning of a part of the Highway that leads from wood-  
 -yard Bridge to Middleborough meeting house is as  
 follows: viz. From a Red Oak Tree standing in the line of  
 the highway between the town of Middleborough and the town of  
 Wareham as may be until it comes directly over against Nathan  
 Warrens Red line: and then to Run straight to a Cross in the lot  
 to the land of said Nathan Warren: and then one half on said Warren  
 and the other on the land of Micah Bryant, until it comes to the  
 Land of Benjamin Warren and thence to Run all upon the Land  
 of Micah Bryant until it comes to said Warrens Land thence to  
 Run a Crisp & Small Strip of Benja Warrens Land unto Peckadull  
 the Town line at the Change for said way being Turned as above  
 March 19: 1753.

Nathl Smith J. S. Lect men  
 Benja Tucker  
 Elias Milner Middleborough

At the Annual Meeting of the Town of Middleborough  
 held by adjournment April 2: 1753. The said Town accepted of  
 Laying out of the foregoing way Peter Oliver Measurer  
 and then the Meeting was Dismissed

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough at the  
 House May 7: 1753. Samuel L. Thomas and William Warren  
 appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law directs to  
 Serve on the Jury of Trials at the Next Inferiour Court of  
 Common Pleas for the General Sessions of the Peace  
 to be holden at Plimouth within and for the County of Ma-  
 ssachusetts the Third Tuesday of May Instant.

At a Town Meeting held in Middleborough May 21: 1753  
 Peter Nathaniel Smith was chosen to Serve as a Juror at the  
 the Town in the Crute and General Court or Assembly to be  
 held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court house  
 in Boston Wednesday the Twelfth Day of May Instant and so  
 During the Session or Sessions of said Court



At a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough May 21. 1753  
and at said meeting Lieut. Jonathan Smith was chosen Moderator  
1 The Town voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury  
to Capt Nathaniel Smith for his time spent to prosecute Peter  
Russell for his bringing his Brother Stephen Russell into Town  
the sum of two pounds Lawfull money £ 2. 0. 0

2 and voted that there should be paid out of the Town Treasury  
to Deacon Benj. Tucker to one day to meet the select men of the  
at our house about a high way £ 1. 0. 0  
to my going to Bridgewater to see a sick man £ 0. 15. 0  
to my staying at John Russell's house while the Town  
shorn my horse's hair and a half at Enfield £ 3. 5. 0  
to going to lay out a way from Thomas Russell's to my  
beyond one day £ 1. 0. 0  
Total £ 6. 0. 0  
and the meeting was adjourned

At a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough July 2. 1753.  
Capt Nathaniel Southworth and Ephraim Wood were chosen  
to serve on the Grand Jury; and John Blackmore and  
Abigail were appointed by drawing out of the Box as  
the Law directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next  
Superior Court of Judicature Court of Assize and General  
Goal Delivery to be holden at Plymouth within a County  
County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of July 1753

At a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough September 3. 1753.  
John Jackson were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the  
Law directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next  
Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth  
on the third Tuesday of September 1753



At a Town Meeting Held in Middleborough October  
the 6<sup>th</sup> 1753. 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut Jonathan Smith was Chosen Moderator  
of said meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> the Town voted to Raise fifty Pound Lawfull  
money to defray the Charges of the Town for Engraving  
years

3<sup>rd</sup> and then the Town voted that there should be  
Paid out of the Town Treasury to Capt. Jabez Vaughan one  
Pound Seven Shillings Lawfull money for repairing of Towns  
Roads

4<sup>th</sup> and voted to Pay John Daggett Constable four Shillings  
Lawfull money out of the Town Treasury for his carrying  
Susanna Perry to Wrentham

5<sup>th</sup> and then the Town voted that there should be Paid  
out of the Town Treasury to John Daggett Constable  
one Shilling & three Pence Lawfull money upon the  
abatement of John Boyce's County & Town Rates  
the year 1752

6<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there should be Paid out of the  
Town Treasury to Jonathan Shewser Constable upon the  
abatement of John Boyce's County & Town Rates the year 1753  
fourteen Shillings & Six Pence All Tensons L 1: 14: 6

7<sup>th</sup> and then voted that there should be Paid out of the  
Town Treasury to Ebenezer Thacher Constable eight Shillings  
Lawfull money upon the abatement of Noah Boyce's Rates  
the year 1751

8<sup>th</sup> and then the Town by Vote made choice of Isaac  
Billington to serve as Constable for this present year

9<sup>th</sup> and then the Town voted to Pay out of the Town Treasury  
to Mr. Ezra Clegg two Shillings Lawfull money for his carrying  
a Petition to and from the General Court to the  
Constable & then the meeting was Dismissed



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At a Town meeting held in Middleborough  
 Precinct November the 12<sup>th</sup>: 1753: <sup>at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting</sup> which meeting was  
 warned by Isaac Billington Constable by virtue of a  
 warrant to him Directed by Thomas Crode Esqr one  
 of his majestys Justices of the Peace for the County of Minn.  
 Peter Oliver Esqr was chosen Moderator  
 and then the Town Voted that they will act nothing  
 upon the warning<sup>of said meeting</sup> and then the meeting was  
 Dismissed

At a Town meeting Held in Middleborough December  
the 12: 1753. William Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> and Elijah Flap were  
appointed by the ~~town~~ Drawing out of the Box as the  
Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next  
Superiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of General  
Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and  
for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of  
December Instant

at a Town Meeting held in Middleborough February 25<sup>th</sup> 1754. John Tompkins was chosen to serve on the Grand Jury for the year ensuing and Henry Thomas and Joseph Allen were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the two direct jurors on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas: and Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the First Tuesday of March Next.

See by the 1<sup>th</sup> 1753. We Thomas Nelson and Thomas Pearce  
of Middleborough are appointed by the Church of Swanzev: to take  
Give in a List to the assessors that make the Minnisters Rates of  
the Names of those called Anrabablis that we Believe are conscientious  
of that Opinion and do frequent that meeting; and we Desire they  
may have benefit of the Law in that Case made and provided. The Name  
of the Person is El Nathaniel Sherron as witness our hands

The "In Live" is the first printed  
in Woburn — Thomas Nelson  
Thomas Peirce

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Be the Subscribers persons of the first Precinct in Middlebury.  
Do accept of the above written List in order to put upon Record

Seth Sampson  
 William Threlkeld  
 Jacob Bennett

at a Town Meeting Held in Middlebrough March  
the 18. 1754. for the Choice of Town officers for the ensuing  
year and the other Buisiness Contained in the warning of said  
meeting

Peter Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen moderator of said meeting

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of Lieut Jonathan Smith Thomas Nelson Jr and Elias Miller  
Select men.

Mr. Elias Miller, Town Treasurer

Samuel Benson Samuel Holmsey Zechariah Day and David Shaw were chosen Constables.

Benjamin Pratt Israel Thomas Edward Wallborn William  
Candry Charles Elliot Jeremiah Thomas Samuel Smith Ezra Wallborn  
Lieut. Thomas Knotton Ephraim Benson John Tompkins Philip Leonard  
Frederick Bruce: Surveyors of Highways

Ephraim Wood Jr. and John Leonard Tything men.

Engraving Wood Sealer of Letter

Nathan Cobb Moses Eddy and Elviah Hackett photo. Missouri

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Hogan Reeves

John Holland Nehemiah Bryant to Se<sup>e</sup> to the Due observance  
of the Province Law relating to the Killing of Deer contrary to the Law  
Nathan Warren and Jonathan Reed to Se<sup>e</sup> to the Due observance of the  
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At a Town meeting Held at Middleborough old meeting house by the Qualified freeholders and Inhabitants of said Town September 30<sup>th</sup> 1754. Capt Jonathan Smith was Chosen Moderator of said meeting

and then the Question was <sup>asked</sup> whether the Town will approve of the Excise Bill which relates to the Private Consumption of Wines & Spirits Distill<sup>d</sup> & it was in the Affirmative

and then the meeting was Adjourn<sup>d</sup> to October the 14<sup>th</sup> at one of the Clock in the afternoon

at a Meeting Held at Middleborough old Meeting House by the Qualified freeholders and Inhabitants of said Town September 30<sup>th</sup> 1754. & Continued by Adjournment unto the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of October 1754. and then met

1<sup>st</sup> Put to Vote whether the Town will act upon the <sup>in the day</sup> former Clause in the warning relating to the Cost that John Miller recovered <sup>in the day</sup> against Mr John Bonnet Capt Nathl Southworth & Lt Jacob Tompson. about the Town Car in ~~afternoon~~ <sup>afternoon</sup> ~~sett~~ <sup>sett</sup> and it was in the Negative

2<sup>nd</sup> and then Voted to Raise Sixty Pounds Lawfull money to Defray the Charge of the Town for the ~~next~~ <sup>present</sup> year

3<sup>rd</sup> and then Voted that the above Sum shall be Paid into the Town Treasury by the first Day of June next. & the Meeting was Dismissed

at a Town meeting Held in Middleborough old meeting house Febr<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1756. Ebenezer Thomas was Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury for the year ensuing and Garthom Sampson and Silvester Richmond were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Stragels at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Court of general Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March Next

At a Legal meeting of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough. Held at the old meeting house in said Town on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of February A.D 1755.

Peter Oliver Esqr was Chosen Moderator of said meeting and then the said Town Voted that Thomas Nelson Jr Ebenezer Sprout and Ezra Flap be Agents for said Town to appear for and defend the Inhabitants of said Town in an action of Trespas upon the Case commenced against the Inhabitants of said Town by Nathanael Southworth & Jacob Tompson Gentlemen and John Bonnet a Yeoman all of said Town to be heard and Tryed at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March Next and that the said Agents are impowered to draw any Sum or Sums of money out of the Treasury of said Town of Middleborough by order of the Select men of said Middleborough as the said Select men shall think proper in order to defend the said Inhabitants in said action

4<sup>th</sup> To accept of the account of Eben<sup>r</sup> Cox for the Nursing and Bonding of John Wood 21 Week amounting to £6: 7: 0 <sup>1/4</sup> and the same to be Paid out of the Town Treasury

5<sup>th</sup> To accept of the account of Capt Jonathan Smith for 5 Days making the Province town and County Rates in the year 1754. amounting to 13/4 & the same to be Paid out of the Town Treasury and then the meeting was dismissed and J. Oliver Moderator

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough old meeting house by the Qualified freeholders & Inhabitants of said Town March 25<sup>th</sup> 1755. Elder Mark Haspel was Chosen Moderator for said meeting

Joseph Finkham was Chosen Town Clerk for the year ensuing Voted & maid Choise of Elder Mark Haspel Joseph Finkham and Mr Elias Miller for Select men for the year ensuing

and then the Town Voted that the above Select men shall make Province, County, & Town Rates for the year ensuing Then Voted & maid Choise of Mr Elias Miller for Town Treasury for the year ensuing

Then Voted & maid Choise of Jacob Cushman Nathaniel Southworth Jr John Leonard & James Murdoch for Constables for the year ensuing

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Then Voted & maid Choice of Jonathan Wood & Beniah Pratt  
for tything men for the year Ensping

Then Voted & maid of Joseph Bates Jr for a Letter Carrier

Then Voted & maid Choice of Samuell Thomas Silas Wood & John  
Cavender for field Drivers for the year Ensping

Then Voted & maid Choice of William Cushman James Cobb Josiah  
Richmon & William Hoskins for fence Viewers

Then Voted & maid Choice of William Lazel John Barrows &  
Elisha Mayhew Jr for hog Reeves

Then Voted & maid Choice of John Howland Nehemiah Boyant  
for to be the due observance of the Law Relating of Killing  
Deer Contray to Law

Then Voted & maid Choice of Nathan Warren & Jonathan Read to be  
the due observance of the Law Relating of going on the Commons

Feb<sup>y</sup> the 18: 1755 we the Subscribes agreeable to the Request of sundry  
of the inhabitants of this Town of middleborough have laid a track

of the road near the dwelling of Henry Thomas & so along where it is now  
trode by the dwelling house of Joseph Crocker & so along where it is now Trod

Tell it comes across the road to the line between his land & his fathers & so on till  
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and also at said meeting Voted to pay m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller out of the Town  
Treasurer £ 1:9:4 for Eleven days making the province County &  
Town Rates in the year 1754

Then at said meeting Voted & accepted Layd out by the select men the  
Road is as followeth (viz) we the Subscribes being Requested by  
Henry Thomas of middleborough to view the Road that lead from  
Rogetter to middleborough where Survaier hath opened his inclosure  
and we have viewed the Road & Layd it out from where trees are  
till across the Road about Sixty Rods to the South East of the way  
that goes from Henry Thomas to the furnace and from thence  
across to a pine Tree Standing near S<sup>d</sup> furnace way & so in so  
thence to the middleborough march 31: 1755

Jonathan Smith } Select men  
Thomas Nelson } of  
Elias Miller } middleborough

and at said meeting Voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson £ 1:14:8 out of  
The Town Treasurer for making the province County & Town Rates  
in the year 1754

at said meeting Voted to allow & pay out the Town Treasurer £ 3:0:0  
for serving as a Treasury for S<sup>d</sup> Town from march 1752 to march  
1755

Then at said meeting Voted & accepted the Report of a Com<sup>tee</sup> that was  
Chosen to Examine & settle acc<sup>ts</sup> with the Town Treas<sup>r</sup> the Report is as  
followeth (viz) We the Subscribes being the major part of a  
Committee that was Chosen by the Inhabitants of the Town middleborough

march 18<sup>th</sup> 1754 to Examine & settle accounts with the Town  
Treasurer & in compliance to said Town we met march 23  
1754 at said Treasurers house (viz) m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller after Examining

the after written accounts we find S<sup>d</sup> Treasurer has received of  
several Conftables of said Town the sum of £ 113:9:7 and  
has paid but by Order of said Town the sum of £ 11:11:8

and their Remains in said Treasurers hand the sum of £ 102:17:11

Benjamin Parker  
Joseph Tinkham

the account is as followeth.

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The Town of middlborough <sup>at</sup> when we maid up accounts in 1751  
The 24:1752 & their was Due in Lawfull money - £ 19: 6: 4

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> oxenbridge Thacker Conf<sup>sa</sup> at sundry times & gave } 7: 6: 2  
him Receipt in part

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gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Borden one of the Late Constables at two } 3: 19: 4  
payments & gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

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and gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Gabor wood one of the Late Constables and } 2: 7: 8  
gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Henry wood upon the account of m<sup>r</sup> Henry } 2: 5: 6  
wood Deceft who was one of the Late Constables & gave  
him Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> William Hoar one of the Late Constables } 0: 14: 0  
and gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Waterman one of the Late Constables } 10: 18: 8  
and gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>d</sup> wood one of the Late Constables by the hand } 18: 5: 3  
of m<sup>r</sup> John warren, & gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Seth Sampson one of the Late Constables and } 11: 3: 0  
gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Ben<sup>d</sup> Raymond one of the Late Constables } 4: 7: 9  
and gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Billington one of the Late Constables } 2: 12: 0  
and gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Bennett one of the Late Constables } 25: 12: 11  
in the year 1751 & gave him Rec<sup>t</sup> in full

Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> John Dagg one of the Late Constables } 1: 9: 5  
and gave Rec<sup>t</sup> in part

The Town of middlborough Debtor to Elias Miller Town Treas<sup>r</sup>  
as followeth I paid unto m<sup>r</sup> John Allen which was voted to  
by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - £ 0: 4: 1

paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson which was voted to him by } 0: 12: 0  
the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Ebenezer Sproutt which was voted to him by the } 2: 15: 0  
Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Henry wood by Order of the select men and } 2: 10: 8  
took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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him by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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by the Town & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

paid to myself which was voted to me by the Town - 4: 14: 8

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and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it

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- 23 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Seth Samson which was voted to him by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 4:4:8
- 24 paid unto Lt. Jacob Tompson by the hands of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Waterman which was voted to by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:18:4
- 25 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> William Hoar which was voted to him by the Town, & I took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 3:2:0
- 26 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Josiah Marshall by Order of the Select men and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 7:18:8
- 27 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> John Wingflow which was voted to him by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:1:4
- 28 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Billington which was voted to him by the Town, and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:1:6
- 29 paid unto Dr<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Tucker which was voted to him by the Town, and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:16:0
- 30 paid unto Lt Jonathan Smith which was voted to him by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:16:0
- 31 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> John Dogget which was voted to him by the Town, and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:15:2
- 32 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Shaw gr which was voted to him by the Town, and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:4:7
- 33 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> George Shaw gr by order of the Select men & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 3:6:8
- 34 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Josiah Marshall by Order of the Select men & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 7:18:8
- 35 paid unto Lieut Eben Sprout by Order of the Select men, & took a Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 1:16:0
- 36 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Josiah Marshall by Order of the Select men and took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 7:18:8
- 37 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson gr which was voted to him by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 1:17:4
- 38 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Ezra Clap which was voted to him by the Town, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 0:2:0
- 39 paid unto m<sup>r</sup> Josiah Marshall by Order of the Select men, & took his Rec<sup>t</sup> for it - - - - - 7:18:8
- Then at a meeting Voted to adjourn said meeting to April the 7 Day at one of the Clock in the afternoon and the mod<sup>r</sup> Declared sd meeting to be adjourned to said Time - - - - - 110:11:8

having

having met April 7: 1758 according to adjournment the moderator took his place. Then proceeded to pass the following vote (viz)

Then Voted & accepted of a Road Layed out by the Select men the Road is as followeth (viz) We the Subscribers being Requested by m<sup>r</sup> Seth Samson to View the Road Liding to Rochester, where the horse hath opened his Ineloufer, & we have been & Viewed his Ineloufer and we do approve of the (being where it was Turned, that he may possibly Enjoy his Right provided, he make the Road as good as the old Road as

Jonathan Smith } Select men

Elias Miller } Middleborough

Then Voted to Remitt one poll Tax, that Seniore Totman was Rated in John Dogget's Rate bills, he having the same paid out of the Town Treasury, and also voted to Remitt the whole of Benjamin Seligman's Rates which is 11 in John Dogget's bills he having the same paid out of the Town Treasury

Then Voted to Remitt 7/8 that Robert Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> was Rated in Edmon Weston Rate bills he having the same paid to him out of the Town Treasury - - - - -

Then Voted that their shall be no alowies Taken at a sawampet Brook (so called) this Spring saving at the high way near m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Thayer's, & their only tuesday weadsdays & thursdays on Each week - - - - -

Then Voted to Take the fish (called alewives at the old time were) Then Voted to Chuse a man to see that the fish called alewives that there are no way obstructed in their passing up to the fish pond to Capt. Thayer's pond. Then Voted to Reconsider sd Vote & the vote passed in the affirmative

at said meeting Voted to Take the fish (called alewives) at the sitting mill on Tuesday & Thursday in Each week beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning at Sun Rize & Ending at Thursday night at Sunset - - - - -

at sd meeting Voted That whereas the Town of Middleborough did at their meeting the 24 of february 1758 chuse Thomas & Eben Sprout m<sup>r</sup> Ezra Clap agents to appear & Defend the Inhabelance of said Town in an action of Treppis upon the (of commenced against the Inhabelance of sd Town by Nathaniel Southworth, & Others do be showed & tryed, at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the first day of march next; and did not in sd Court empower the agents

at one said



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above said to appeal, renew &c it is now voted that said agents shall have full power, to appeal, renew, & peruse, said actions as they shall think most for the interest, of said Town, and in the method to be paid as in the fore cited vote is provided

at said meeting voted to Release Jabez Cushman from serving as Constable this year

at said meeting voted & made choice of Benjamin Smith to be Constable for the year ensuing

voted to allow and pay Ebenezer Cox out of the Town Treasurers 2/6 per week for finding John and Abner Room & fire wood for the week ending from 6<sup>th</sup> of February untill the 7<sup>th</sup> of April the whole amounting to 17/6

Shew the record by said meeting

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough & Old meeting House May the 9<sup>th</sup> 1755, Micah Bryant, Robert Phipps and Nelson Finney were appointed by Drawing out of the box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, & Court of General Sessions of the peace, to be holden at Plymouth for the County of Plymouth, on the third Tuesday of May ensuing

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough & Old meeting House June the 19<sup>th</sup> 1755 for the choice of the Jurymen and the Town voted and made choice of said Ebenezer Sprad for serve & Represent said Town at the next & General Court or assembly to be holden at Plymouth his Majesty's Court at the Court House in Boston upon Monday the twenty day of May Instant, so during those days & hours of said Court

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough & Old meeting House June the 17<sup>th</sup> 1755 Cap. Nathaniel Smith & Debraham Smith were chosen to serve on the Grand Jury, and William Cushman and March Hapwell were appointed by Drawing out of the box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals, at the Next Inferiour Court of Judicature Court of Peace & General Court to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the Third Tuesday of July Instant



at a Town meeting held at Middleborough old meeting house  
September the 17<sup>th</sup> 1755 John Howland & Joseph Bates Jun<sup>r</sup>  
were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law directs  
to save or the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court  
of Common Pleas & Court of General Sessions of the peace  
to be holden at Plymouth in & for the County on the day  
Friday of September next at

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough old meeting house  
October the 27<sup>th</sup> 1755 Capt. Nathaniel Smith was chosen  
mod<sup>r</sup> for said meeting. Then at said meeting voted & made  
choice of Joseph Leonard J<sup>r</sup> for a Constable this present  
year.

Then said meeting was adjourned to Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> at twelve  
a clock & the moderator declared the meeting adjourned to that  
time.

October 27<sup>th</sup> 1755 being met according to adjournment the mod<sup>r</sup>  
took his place, and put the following vote viz<sup>t</sup> at said  
meeting voted & dismissed Joseph Leonard J<sup>r</sup> from being Constable  
also at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson  
for Constable for this present year.

and also at said meeting voted to raise sixty five pounds lawful  
money to defray the charges of said Town for this present year  
Then voted to allow & pay Gehard wood out of the  
Town Treasurer.

Then voted & adjourned said meeting untill Nov<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1755 at  
two a clock in the afternoon.

at a Town meeting continued by adjournment from  
October the 27<sup>th</sup> to November the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1755 the moderator declared the  
meeting open.

at said meeting voted & accepted of John Tompson to serve  
as Constable in the Room & stead of John Tompson who  
was chosen Constable to serve in that office for the  
present year. Then the meeting was dismissed.



Jan: 2: 1752 I Published a Purpose of Marriage between  
William Ellis of Rochester and Elizabeth  
Leyell of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

Decem: 2: 1752 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
William Sprage and Sarah Weycoat both of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

Jan: 2: 1752 I Published a Purpose of Marriage between  
William Smith of Rochester and Hannah Richmond of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

Feb: 10: 1752 I Published a Purpose of Marriage between Abraham  
Whishburn of Bridgewater and Mary Weston of Middleborough.  
Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

Feb: 17: 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between Isaac  
Latham of Middleborough and Hannah Robbins of Walpole.  
Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

March: 3: 1753 I Published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin  
Mason & Sarah both of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

March: 17: 1753: I Published a Purpose of Marriage between James  
Smith of Wenham and Deborah Perkins of Middleborough.  
Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

March: 24: 1753: I Published a Purpose of Marriage between Thomas  
Widd: and Sarah Thomas both of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

March: 29: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between John  
Bent & Deborah both of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

May: 7: 1753 I Published a purpose of Marriage between m:  
George Watson of Newbury and Elizabeth Driver  
of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

June: 1: 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between David  
Allen of Haverhill and Anna Thomas of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

July: 1: 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Eaton & Rebecca Simkins both of Middleborough.  
Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

July: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haseo of Newbury and Margaret Whitcomb  
of Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

July: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between Isaac  
Roberts and Margaret Newbridge both of Middleborough.  
Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

August: 16: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Joseph Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

September: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Hannah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

October: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

September: 1: 1753: I Published a purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

October: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

November: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk

December: 1: 1753: I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Haskins of Saugus and Sarah Paine of  
Middleborough. Ebenezer Sprunt Town Clerk







February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Joseph Briggs of Barkley and Abigail Cole of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 1<sup>st</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between John  
Eddy of Middleborough & Priscilla Richmond of Taunton  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 9<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
John Pierce of Middleborough & Sarah Rousey of Taunton  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 9<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Edward Richmond Jun<sup>r</sup> of Taunton & Reliance Padwick of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 16<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
David Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough & Rebecca Ladd of Bridgewater  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 16<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Isaac Borden & Elizabeth Miller both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Clark & m<sup>rs</sup> Lucia Morton both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

August 18<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Abraham Braby Jun<sup>r</sup> of Taunton & Mary Ladd of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Sept<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Weston  
Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough & Elizabeth Braby of Taunton  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

October 6<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Joseph Bapa of Woburn & Mercy Dunham of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

October 13<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
Isaac Cushman & Sarah Miller both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

October 20<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> William  
Ward of Bridgewater & Mercy Tinkham of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup>. Jos: Tinkham Town Clerk



October 20: 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between John  
Miller, of Middleborough, & Margaret Melhuysen, of Boston.  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 20: 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between Eben<sup>r</sup>  
Spwell Jr. of Taunton & Zibiah White of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

November 24: 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Charles Lufk, & Mary Eddy, both of Middleborough.  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

December 8: 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
m<sup>r</sup> Jabez Eddy, of Middleborough, & m<sup>r</sup> Elizabeth Jackson, of  
Hartmouth.  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Dec<sup>r</sup> 15: 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Elijah Briggs of Taunton, & Ruth Leonard of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

December 29<sup>th</sup> 1755 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Silvanus Eaton, & Deborah Caswell both of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1756 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Lodowick Sears & Mary Leonard, both of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 1<sup>st</sup> 1756 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Benjamin White & m<sup>r</sup> Hannah Shaw, both of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 1<sup>st</sup> 1756 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Samuel Ransom of Taunton, & Mary Richard of Middleborough  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 1<sup>st</sup> 1756 I published a purpose of marriage between  
Raphael Billington, and Eleanor Warrall both of Middleborough.  
By Joseph Finkham Town Clerk



The first Baptist Church in Swansea having obtained according to the act of this province Certificates from three Churches of the Baptist denomination namely Elder Mash's Church in Sutton & the first & second Churches in Rehoboth: we being thus qualified we give this Certificate that all persons may be assured that we conscientiously believe that Benjamin White of Middleborough, is of the Anna Baptist principle so called, & that he usually attends that meeting on the Lord

Swansey Febr. 16<sup>th</sup> 1786

Jabez Wood } Elder  
Thomas Peck } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder

The first Baptist Church of Christ in Swansea having obtained according to the act of this province Certificates from three Churches of the Baptist denomination namely Elder Mash's Church in Sutton & the first & second Churches in Rehoboth: we being thus qualified we give this Certificate that all persons may be assured that we believe conscientiously that Benjamin White of Middleborough, is of the Anna Baptist principle so called, & that he usually attends that meeting on Lord

Swansey Febr. 16<sup>th</sup> 1786

Jabez Wood } Elder  
Thomas Peck } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder

The first Baptist Church of Christ in Swansea have obtained according to the act of this Province Certificates from three Churches of the Baptist denomination, namely Elder Mash's Church in Sutton and the first & second Baptist Churches in Rehoboth: we being thus qualified we give this Certificate that all persons may be assured that we conscientiously believe that Abiel Britton of Middleborough is of the Anna Baptist principle so called, & that he usually attends that meeting on Lord days

Swansey Febr. 16<sup>th</sup> 1786

Jabez Wood } Elder  
Thos. Peck } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder



at a Town meeting held at middleborough the 25<sup>th</sup> 1756 Floor Mark Heston was chosen moderator of said meeting

Then at said meeting Voted that the select men of middleborough do perambulate the line between the Towns of Taunton and middleborough agreeable to the ancient Stations Bounds and They have been renewed from time to time  
Then the moderator dismissed said meeting

at a Town meeting held at middleborough the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1756 Joseph Booth & John Briggs were appointed, by drawing out of the box at the Law Directs to serve on the jury of Trials at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at plymouth, within & for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of march Next

The first baptis Church of Christ in Swansey having obtained according to the late act of this province Certificates from three Churches of the Baptis denomination namely Deer master Church in Sutton, and the first and second baptis Churches in Rehoboth we being thus qualified we give this Certificate that all persons may asured that Samuel Aschard of middleborough is of the anna baptis principles so called, and that he usually attends that meeting on the Lord Days  
Swansey march 15<sup>th</sup> 1756 Jabez Wood } Elder  
Thomas Dech } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder

The first Baptis Church of Christ in Swansey having obtained according to the late act of this province, Certificates from three Churches of the Baptis Denomination, Namely Deer master Church in Sutton, and the first, and second Baptis Churches in Rehoboth we being thus qualified we give this Certificate that all persons may be asured that Barnabas Eaton of middleborough is of the anna baptis principles so called and that he usually attends their meeting on the Lord Days  
Swansey march the 8<sup>th</sup> 1756 Jabez Wood } Elder  
Thomas Dech } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder



The first Baptism was performed according to the call of the Spirit, in the three Churches of the Baptist Denomination, namely Elder's Church in Sutton, and the first and second Baptist Churches in Rehoboth, we being thus qualified, we give this certificate that all persons may be assured that Joseph Wood of Middleborough is Consecrator of the Annapolis principles (so called) and usually attend their meetings on the Lord's days

Wansey march the 11<sup>th</sup> 1756 } Jaber Wood } Elder  
Thomas Deck } Deacon  
Benjamin Kingsley } Recorder

April the 12<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Jonathan Washburn & Hannah Sears both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

April the 19<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Seth Billington & Deborah Smith both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

April the 19<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Elijah Kitchin of Freetown & Keresia Barrow of Rehoboth by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

may the 10<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Wyten & m<sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth Leonard both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

may the 10<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Charles Ellis of middleborough & Bathsheba Fuller of Rehoboth by me J. Finkham

may the 10<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Manasseh Wood & Sarah Tumor both of middleborough by me J. Finkham

may the 10<sup>th</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Hugh Thomas & Lucia Vaughan both of middleborough by me J. Finkham

march 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Henry Haskins of Taunton, and Joseph Booth of middleborough by me J. Finkham Town Clerk

march 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Hapels of Taunton, and Rachel Shaw of middleborough by me J. Finkham Town Clerk

march 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Ellis & Lydia Rider both of middleborough by me J. Finkham Town Clerk

march 29<sup>th</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Jacob Tompson of Hallowell & Waitfall Miller of middleborough by me J. Finkham Town Clerk

may 31<sup>st</sup> 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Warren of middleborough & Mary Perkins of Bridgewater by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

June 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Shaw & m<sup>rs</sup> Fear Thomas both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

July 19<sup>th</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Apington & Elizabeth Sampson both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

July 29<sup>th</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Darling of middleborough & Hannah Harris of Rehoboth by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

august 30<sup>th</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Bonnet & Zilpah Totter both of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Simon Brown of Rochester & Patience Wood of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Ellis of Rehoboth & Mary Holman of Rochester by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 1756 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Ellis of Rehoboth & Lois Rider of middleborough by me Joseph Finkham Town Clerk



December 6: 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Theophilus Crocker & Mary Keyford both of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Dec 20: 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between John  
Smith junr & Betty Tucker both of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Decemr 27: 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas  
Darling junr & Ruth Rowland both of Middleborough  
p Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Dec 27: 1756 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
John Snow & Mary Eaton both of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Feb 28: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Rowland Hammond of Plymouth, and Mary Southworth of  
Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Feb 28: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Thomas Blackman of Houghton and Mary Sarah  
Tomson of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

March 7: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
David Shaw of Middleborough, and Mary Warburton  
of Kingston  
p Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

March 20: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Thomas Padock of Middleborough, and Lydia  
Karnick  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

April 4: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Briston negro man & Dinah negro woman both of Middleborough  
Both of them to Mr Caleb Topham of said Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

April the 11: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Religion Abel Cole of Middleborough, and Anne Pearce both of  
Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

May the 9: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Eli & Anne Thomas both of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

May 23: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Thomas of Middleborough & Mary Gudek wife of Tuxbury  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

May 30: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Eddy and Anne Sampson both of Middleborough  
p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

at a meeting held at Middleborough & meeting house December  
the 8<sup>th</sup> 1755 Joseph Bates & Charles Reynolds were appointed by  
drawing out the Box as the Law Directs, to serve on the Jury  
of Trials at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas, & the  
General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden at Plymouth in & for  
the County of Plymouth, on the third Tuesday of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1755

November the 25<sup>th</sup> 1754  
To the Members of the first Precinct of The Town of Middle-  
borough we the Subscribers do hereby Certifie, you that  
Thomas Nelson & Thomas Peirce were appointed by the Church  
of Swasey to take and give in to the selectmen the names  
of those called Annababes; and now Gentlemen, we  
by Informe you that we believe that Simon  
Shermon, and Edward Sherman are Constant  
of the Babbis opinion, and very constantly frequent  
our meetings, and we desire that they may have the Ben-  
efit of the Law in that Case made & provided.  
as witness our hand

Thomas Nelson	William Harlow	} of the first Precinct in Middleborough
Thomas Peirce	Jacob Bennett	
	Jeth. Sanborn	

April 20: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Bap-  
and Priscilla Tinkham both of Middleborough  
p Jos. Tinkham Town Clerk

June 6: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between Isaac  
Rider of Middleb<sup>o</sup> & Bridget Hatch of Plymouth.  
p Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

June 20: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
of Middleborough & Hadassah Candy of Taunton  
a purpose of marriage between Joshua Craythorn  
Thomas both of Middleborough p Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

July 11: 1757 then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathaniel  
Batty Shaw both of Middleborough; and also published a  
of marriage between Joseph Wicket & Deborah Booth  
of Middleborough. p me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk



At a town meeting held at middleborough in meeting House  
by the Qualified freemen, and other inhabitants of said town  
March 22: 1756 for the Choice of Town Officers for the ensuing year  
and other business contained in the Warrant of said meeting  
and Lieut Ebenezer Sprout was chosen Moderator for said meeting

By Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

24. Elder Mark Hall Elias Miller & Joseph Tinkham  
were Chosen select men

By m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Town Treasurer

James Smith John Weston Sebastian Leonard } Constables  
and Obidiah Samson - - - - - }

by Lemuel Thomas, Joseph Waterman, Lemuel Dunham,  
David Allen, Timothy Bryant, Confider Benson,  
John Serry, Israel Thomas, Ebenezer Barlow,  
Shadrach Miller, John Warren, James Strobridge  
and Josiah Freeman.

Joseph Lovel and } Tythingmen  
Joseph Leonard junr }

By Joseph Bates junr Sealer of Leather.

9. Chas. Borden William Barlow } Field Drivers  
 and Elijah Hackett - - - - - }

96 David Timmons, Isaac Cythman, Daniel } fence view  
Carpenter and John Jones - - - - }

104. John Hunt Samuel Pratt } hog Reeves  
and John Cavender - - - }

11 by Isaac Howland junr and to the due observance of the  
of Peter Pinkham - - - } Province Law Relating to the  
Dues

Lernuel Dunham & to the due observance of the provisions  
Gideon Tinkham } Law Relating to horses going at large

12 by Then Voted that there should be no a living Taken  
at opawamisset brook (So Called) this Spring Saving at  
The high way near Mr Samuel Throper, and there only  
Tues<sup>day</sup>, wednes<sup>days</sup> and Thirs<sup>days</sup>, in Each week and  
no longer -

19<sup>th</sup> <sup>6</sup> Then at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Joseph Dinkham one pound seven shillings & 4 pence part of the Town Treasurer for making the Rates in the year 1754 and also voted to allow and pay to Chap<sup>n</sup> \* Miller of 1-5-4 on the Town Treasurer for making Rates for 1754 and also voted to allow and pay to <sup>John</sup> Der Mark His clerk \* £0-15-4 for making Rates for the year 1755

✓ 14<sup>th</sup> ly Then at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Joseph Tuckham  
L-1 B-0 out of the Town Treasurer for clothing John  
Wood who at present is a Town Charge

15<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> at a meeting voted to allow & pay Eliza Miller £14-8  
 \* out of the Town Treasurer for her husband for John Wood  
 \* Then Voted to allow and pay out of the Town Treasurer £16-0  
 \* to Eliza Mark Hackett £16-0 to Eliza Miller  
 \* To Jacob Ben. let and £0-8-0 to Joseph Finkham  
 For their endeavoring to preambulate the Line between  
 Taunton and Middleborough

and then the meeting was Dismissed

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough, 25<sup>th</sup> meeting by the  
Qualified Freeholders. In the other, Inhabitant of said Town, may the  
1756 and Sir Ebenezer Sprout, was chosen moderator of a meeting  
Then The Town Voted to make Choice of William Short and John  
Ellis they or Either of Them To be agent or agents for the  
Town to prosecute James Smith John Weston & Zebulon  
Remondy or their <sup>or being</sup> not Taking the oath or not serving as Constables  
who were Chosen in the office in arch the 22<sup>nd</sup> 1756

A Town meeting held at Middleborough the 10th insting  
May the 10th 1756 and Ulrich Sampson & others  
were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the  
jurors to serve on the jury of Trial at the next Superior  
Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Sessions of the  
County of Plymouth within & for the County  
of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of May next.



at a Town meeting held at middleborough meeting house  
may the 17<sup>th</sup> 1756 and <sup>at the</sup> Phemeas Sproutly was chosen to be  
for and represent the Town and General Court or assembly to be  
held and kept for his majesty's service at the Court House in  
Boston upon Wednesday the 26 day of may instant and so  
during their sessions & sessions of said Court

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting  
house September the 12<sup>th</sup> 1756 and Benjamin Borden was appointed  
by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on  
the jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common  
Pleas and Court of General sessions of the peace to be holden  
at plymouth within & for the County of plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Tuesday of September instant

At a Town meeting held at middleborough old meeting House  
October the 19<sup>th</sup> 1756 by the Qualified freemen & other in-  
habitants of said Town, and <sup>after</sup> the following vote  
viz Cap. Nathaniel Smith was chosen Moderator

at said meeting the Town Voted & made choice of John  
Cushman to be Constable to serve the Town in that office  
in the Room & stead of Mr James Smith who Refused to  
serve & paid his fine

Then at said meeting the Town Voted & accepted of John  
Wofston Jr to serve the Town as Constable in the Room & stead  
of Mr John Wofston his father upon his given bond to the  
Town for the said John Wofston Jr that he faithfully discharge  
his Duty in that office

Then at said the Town Voted to Raise £ 60-0-0 Lawfull  
money by Levying a Tax on the polls & State of the Inhabitants  
of said Town To pay for the Town stock of ammunition & to pay  
The Towns School master & other charges that are arising in  
said Town and the Town also Voted & ordered that the said  
£ 60-0-0 pounds be paid in to the Town Treasurer The one half  
by the first day of march the other half be paid in to Treasurer  
by the 1<sup>st</sup> day of june next

at said meeting voted to pay Lieut Lidoon Southworth out of  
The Town Treasurer Sixteen Shillings & eight pence for boarding  
The Towns Schoolmaster 12 weeks & 3 days in the year  
1756



(17) Middleborough  
at said meeting voted & admitted both wood & town & county  
Rates in Zechariah Eddy's Rate Bill which sum is one shilling  
and three pence L. m.  
Then the meeting was dissolved

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house Decem:  
the 19<sup>th</sup> 1796 and Jonathan Ellus & Calabed Benson were appointed  
by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on the jury  
of Trials at the next Inferior Court of Common pleas, and  
Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at plymouth  
within and for the County of plymouth on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
of December Instant.

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house Decem:  
at said meeting voted and made choice of Ephraim wood to serve the town as  
Grand Jurymen for the year ensuing and Jonathan Eddy Esq. Robert Sprunt  
and Ben<sup>l</sup> Raymond were appointed by drawing out of the box as the  
Law directs to serve on the jury of Trials at the next Inferior  
Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at plymouth  
within and for the County of plymouth on the first Tuesday  
of March next

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house  
May 16<sup>th</sup> 1797 and Edmund Smith George Washington & Joshua  
Benson were appointed by drawing out of the box as the  
Law directs to serve on the jury of Trials at the next  
Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at plymouth  
within and for the County of plymouth on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
of May current

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house  
May 16<sup>th</sup> 1797 and Capt Nathaniel Smith was chosen to serve  
the town of Middleborough for and represent the town at the next  
General Court or assembly to be hold and kept for his majestys  
service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
day of May Instant and so during their Session & Sessions of  
said Court

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house April 14<sup>th</sup> 1797  
Ephraim wood & William Rufusman were chosen to serve on the grand  
jury and William Strobridge Jun<sup>r</sup> & Charles Ellis were appointed by  
drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on the jury of Trials  
at the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Appeals & Court  
of Appeals to be holden at plymouth within and for the County  
of plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of April Instant



at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting house  
by the qualified freemen and other inhabitants of said Town  
March 14<sup>th</sup> 1759 for the choice of Town officers for the ensuing year  
and other business contained in the warning of said meeting  
and Elder Nathl. Haskell was chosen moderator of said meeting  
Joseph. Tinkham Town Clerk

Lieut Thomas Nelson m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller & m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson  
were chosen select men

Lieut Thomas Nelson John Tompson & Joseph Tinkham  
were chosen assessors

m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson chosen Town Treasurer

Seth Sampson Caleb Tompson Micah Bryant Jacob Eaton  
Lt John Wynton James Lebaron Francis Sumner Joseph  
Bates Jun<sup>r</sup> Abraham Shaw William Canady Elijah Haskell  
Henry Strobridge Charles Ellis & Joseph Shinnery were chosen  
Surveyors of High ways

Caleb Benson and Nathaniel Bumpas  
Tything men

Joseph Leonard & Samuel Pratt  
and John Richmond Jun<sup>r</sup> Field Drivers

Jehadood Norton & Lether Sealer

Noah Thomas Josiah Booth & Isaac Viewers  
William Smith & Daniel Vaughan

Henry Richmond Nelson Pinney & George William  
Hag Revers

Joseph Benson & John Howland  
To the due observance of the province  
Law Relating to killing of Deer

John Ellis & Nathl. Read  
To the due observance of the province  
Law Relating to horses going on the Commons

Then voted that there should be no alms taken at any of the  
meals (so called) this Spring saving at the high way meals m<sup>r</sup> Samuel  
Strobridge and their only 4 days, Wednesdays and Thursdays in  
each week & no longer

of said meeting voted to Remit the whole of Jonathan Hoots  
Rate which sum is in Nathl Southworth Tax bills and  
The said Nathaniel to have the same allowed & paid out of the Town  
Treasurer

Then voted to Remit one poll Tax that Nathl. Jais for way rated in  
the 1758 Rate bills which is 10/9 and the said Nathl. to have the  
same allowed & paid to him out of the Town Treasurer

By Thomas Tompson  
Theodorick Peirce  
William Harlow  
Timothy Bryant  
were chosen  
for the year ensuing



- 16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 2/6 That Josiah Rider was to  
gn John Leonard Rate Bells and the said John to have the se  
abrid and paid out of The Town Treasurer
- 16<sup>th</sup> Then at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Dermot Haskell on  
of the Town Treasurer 8/ Shillings for 3 days making Rates 2/8  
preambulating the line between middletown & Rochester the  
Sum is £0-10-8
- 17<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to John Elias miller out of  
The Town Treasurer £0-17-4 for five days & 1/2 day making  
and one day in preambulating the line between middletown and  
Rochester
- 18<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Joseph Finkham of  
The Town Treasurer the following Sum for 15 days & 1/2 day  
making province County & Town Rates in the year 1768 paper for  
James £2-4-0 for 4 days Taking Valuation and paper for  
to one day preambulating the line between Rochester & middletown  
rough & Copies from the Records relating to the affair of the  
Sum Total £3-1-1
- \* voted to allow and pay to Lt Thomas Nelson out of the Town Treasurer  
£1-1-4 for Eight Bushels of Corn he got Jonathan Hear heard  
order of the Select Men
- 17<sup>th</sup> voted to allow and pay to William Plant of the Town Treasurer Charles Ellis agents for  
the Town in prosecuting James Smith for his not serving Constable
- \* at said meeting voted to Remitt the whole of John Clemons  
Oster and the whole of Elkanah Crofmont in John Weston's case  
Tax left the whole Sum amounting to £1-3-6 and the whole  
To have the same dis Counted with the Town Treasurer

Then the moderator Dismissed said meeting

- at a Town meeting held at middletown on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1768  
by the qualified Freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town and  
passed the following votes (viz) Capt Ebenezer Sprague was chosen  
moderator of said meeting
- 11<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to name (Chaise of Lt Thomas Nelson  
and Joseph Finkham for a Committee to examine & Vouch  
accounts with The former Town Treasurer John Elias Miller  
Enguire into the State of the Town and to see what money  
Remains in the Constables hands and make Report to the  
Town at a meeting for that purpose



14 at said meeting voted to Remitt 9/7 that David Benworth  
\* was Rated in Official Samson's Rate 1755 and the said  
Obidian to have the same Discounted with the Town  
Treasurer

15 at said meeting voted to Remitt 10/9 that David Boice  
\* was Rated in John Wapfords Rate 1753 and the said  
John to have the same Discounted with the Town  
Treasurer

16 at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> David Miller out of  
the Town Treasurer two pounds for his service as Treasurer  
for the town from March 1755 to March 1757

17 at said meeting voted to allow and pay to M<sup>r</sup> Thomas  
Mellon Seventeen Shillings and four pence out of the  
Town Treasurer for his supporting Jonathan Hear who  
is a Town Charge

18 at said meeting voted to allow and pay Joseph Kirkham out of  
the Town Treasurer five Shillings for frailing & casting  
the town stock of bullets

19 at said meeting voted to allow and pay James Pickings  
\* six Shillings & six pence halpenny out of the Town  
Treasurer for provision for Jonathan Hear by order of  
the select men

20 at said meeting voted to allow & pay to W<sup>m</sup>iah Samson  
\* two pound & three Shillings out of the Town Treasurer  
for provisions for Jonathan Hear, by order of the  
select men

21 at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Jacob Rennett  
\* one pound & one Shilling out of the Town Treasurer for  
a horse, iron & firewood for Jonathan Hear who  
is a Town Charge

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough in meeting House  
September 20: 1757 and m<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Benwell & Jeditiah Lyon  
was appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law directs  
to serve on the petit jury for trials at the next Court of General Sessions  
of the peace; and at the Superior Court of Common Pleas to be  
held at Plymouth on the Last Tuesday of Sept<sup>r</sup> for Justice



November 2<sup>d</sup> 1752 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
John Perkins of Middleborough: and Ruth Cushing  
of ~~Worcester~~ <sup>Worcester</sup> P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

November 4<sup>th</sup> 1752 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Josiah Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough and Priscilla  
Went of Bridgerton P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

December 30<sup>th</sup> 1752 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Ebenzer Morton of Wrentham both of Middleborough P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

November 14<sup>th</sup> 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Elisha Benson of Middleborough and Mehiah Bangs  
of Wrentham P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

November 1<sup>st</sup> 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Nathaniel Billington and Mary Doutham: both  
of Middleborough P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

December 1<sup>st</sup> 1753 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Abial Smith & Lydia Potter both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

March 17<sup>th</sup> 1754 I Published between a Purpose of marriage between  
Jacob Hayford and Ruth Crocker both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

March 16<sup>th</sup> 1754 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Paul of Wrentham & Hanna Benson of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

March 16<sup>th</sup> 1754 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Wood and Lydia Benson both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1754 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
Jun<sup>r</sup> and Hannah both of Middleborough P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler

March 30<sup>th</sup> 1754 I Published a Purpose of marriage between  
of Middleborough: and Rebecca Southorn of Bridgerton  
P<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprunt Town Cler



July 19. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Nehemiah Boyant & Hannah Totman both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

July 25. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Blackmore & Sarah Blackmore both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Sept. 5. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Raymond & Dinah Wood both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Sept. 5. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between George Pearce & Sarah Pierce both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Sept. 6. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Turner & Elizabeth both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Sept. 6. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Wright & Elizabeth Brady both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

October 1. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Barzillai Thomas & Elizabeth Orr both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

October 4. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Jackson & Peninah Bennett both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Nov. 4. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between the Rev. Mr. Silvanus Conant of middleborough in the province, Massachusetts Bay and Mr. Abigail Drink of Norwich in the Colony of Connecticut by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Nov. 7. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Joseph Marshall of Rochester and Judith Thomas of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Nov. 7. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Eddy & Abigail both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Nov. 18. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joshua Raym. of middleborough & Anne Garney of Rochester by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Nov. 18. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Ephraim Tinkham of middleborough & Sarah Sturges of Hallowell by me J. T. Town Clerk

Dec. 26. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between James Child & Anna Cole both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Dec. 26. 1757 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Peter Bennett & Lydia Peterson both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Jan. 9. 1758 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Jacobson & Peninah Jackson both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Jan. 9. 1758 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Ebenezer Pratt, junr of middleborough, and Abiel Alger of Bridgewater by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Province of the Massachusetts Bay Certificate to the Town Clerk of middleborough  
These may certify that the First Baptist Church of Christ in Rehobath, under the pastoral care of Mr. John Hicks Teacher of said Church, do Esteem the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham to be one of our denomination, and that we conscientiously believe them to be Anabaptists (so called)  
dated in Rehobath July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1756  
By order of said Church signed by  
Ephraim Hicks  
Jonathan Thresher  
Nathan Burdett } Committee

Province of the Massachusetts Bay Certificate to the Town Clerk of middleborough  
We certify that the Baptist Church of Christ in Rehobath, under the pastoral care of Mr. Richard Round junr. Elder of said Church, do Esteem the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham under the care of Isaac Balthus Elder of said Church, to be one of our denomination, and that we conscientiously believe them to be Anabaptists (so called)  
dated in Rehobath July 3. 1756  
By order of said Church signed by  
Nathaniel Round  
Squire Bullock  
Joshua + Briggs  
his mark } Committee

To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the Province of Massachusetts Bay  
I hereby certify that The Baptist Church of Christ in Stamford & Town in the Colony of Connecticut under the pastoral care of Noah Aden Elder of said Church do Esteem the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Balthus Elder of said Church, to be one of our denomination, and that we conscientiously believe them to be Anabaptists (so called)  
dated in Stamford October 28. 1756  
By order of said Church signed by  
Noah Aden  
William Beale } Committee

Jan. 23. 1758 then I published a purpose of marriage between J. J. Vaghten & Margaret Shaw both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk  
Jan. 23. 1758 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Thomas & Elizabeth Shaw both of middleborough by me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk



To the Town Clerk of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth, we Certify that m<sup>r</sup> Daniel Oswell of S<sup>d</sup> Town, doth usually attend publick worship with the baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus (on Lord days) and we believe him to be conscientiously of our persuasion  
dated at Middleborough Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1756  
By order of said Church

Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Timothy Bryant }

To the Town Clerk of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth, we Certify that John Mayford of S<sup>d</sup> Town, usually attends publick worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus and we believe him to be conscientiously of our persuasion  
dated at Middleborough Nov<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1756

Signed by order of said Church: Isaac Backus Elder }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Com<sup>tee</sup>  
Timothy Bryant }

To the Town Clerk of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth, we Certify that m<sup>r</sup> Jabez Eddy jun<sup>r</sup> of said Town, doth usually attend publick worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus Elder of said Church, and we believe him to be conscientiously of our persuasion  
dated at Middleborough November 10<sup>th</sup> 1756

By order of said Church  
Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }

To the Town Clerk of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth, we Certify that m<sup>r</sup> Josiah Knollon of said Town, usually attends publick worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the care of Isaac Backus Elder of said Church, and we believe him to be conscientiously of our persuasion  
dated at Middleborough Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1756  
by order of S<sup>d</sup> Ch<sup>h</sup>

Isaac Backus Elder }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
This may Certify that Elizer Lewis of Middleborough, usually attends worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the care of Isaac Backus Elder thereof: and we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion  
Middleborough Dec<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1756

By order of S<sup>d</sup> Church  
Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
This Certifies that Lieut Benjamin White of Middleborough, usually attends publick worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater and Raynham, under the care of Isaac Backus Elder thereof: and we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion  
Middleborough Dec<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1756

By Order of said Church  
Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }

To the Town Clerk of Middleborough, in the County of Plymouth, we Certify that m<sup>r</sup> Timothy Bryant of said Town, doth usually on Lord days attend publick worship with and stand a member of the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus Elder of said Church  
dated at Middleborough November 10<sup>th</sup> 1756

By Order of said Church  
Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
To the Town Clerk of Middleborough, in the County of Plymouth, This Certifies that Josiah Knollon of Middleborough usually attends publick worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in Middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the care of Isaac Backus Elder of said Church and we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion  
Middleborough Dec<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1756

By order of said Church  
Isaac Backus }  
Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
Edmund Williams }



Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
 We Certify that Gershom Richmond of middleborough, usually  
 attend public worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church  
 of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the  
 care of Isaac Backus Elder thereof; and we conscientiously  
 believe him to be of our persuasion

middleborough December 30<sup>th</sup> 1756

By order of said Church  
 Isaac Backus }  
 Nathl Shaw } Committee  
 Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
 To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of plymouth  
 we Certify that Abiel Britton of said middleborough usually & fre-  
 quently attend the public worship on Lord Days with the  
 Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater and  
 Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus Elder  
 of said Church, and that we conscientiously believe the said  
 Britton to be of our persuasion

Dated at middleborough Feb<sup>y</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1757

By order of said Church

Isaac Backus Elder of said Church  
 Nathl Shaw } Com-  
 Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
 To the Town Clerk of middleborough, we Certify that Paul Hathaway  
 of said Town usually attend public worship on Lord Days with the Baptist  
 Church in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under the pastoral  
 care of Isaac Backus; and we conscientiously believe him to be of our  
 persuasion: middleborough Dec<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1756

By Order of said Church

Isaac Backus } Committee  
 Nathaniel Shaw }  
 Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
 To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of plymouth  
 we Certify that David Allen junior of middleborough usually attend  
 public worship on Lord Days with the Baptist Church of Christ in  
 middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham under the pastoral care  
 of Isaac Backus, and we conscientiously believe him to be of  
 our persuasion: middleborough January 31<sup>st</sup> 1757

By order of said Church

Isaac Backus } Com-  
 Nathaniel Shaw }  
 Edmund Williams }

To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of plymouth  
 we Certify that Isaac Sampson of said middleborough usually  
 attend the public worship on Lord days with the Baptist Church of  
 Christ in said middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham under the pastoral  
 care of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Backus Elder of said Church, and that we conscien-  
 tiously believe the said Isaac to be of our persuasion

middleborough August 2<sup>nd</sup> 1757

Isaac Backus Elder of said Church

Nathaniel Shaw } Com-  
 Edmund Williams }

To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of plymouth  
 we Certify that Abraham Shaw of said middleborough usually  
 attend the public worship on Lord Days with the Baptist Church  
 of Christ in said middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham, under  
 the pastoral care of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Backus Elder of said Church, and  
 that we conscientiously believe the said Abraham to be of our  
 persuasion

Dated middleborough July 28<sup>th</sup> 1757

Isaac Backus Elder of said Church

Nathaniel Shaw } Com-  
 Edmund Williams }

To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of  
 plymouth, we Certify that Jonathan Dunham of said middle-  
 borough usually attend the public worship on Lord Days with  
 the Baptist Church of Christ in said middleborough, Bridgewater  
 and Raynham under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus Elder of  
 said Church, and that we conscientiously believe the said Dunham to be  
 of our persuasion

Dated middleborough August 18<sup>th</sup> 1757

Isaac Backus Elder of said Church

Nathaniel Shaw } Committee  
 Edmund Williams }

Province of the Massachusetts Bay  
 This may Certify that Thomas Caswell of middleborough frequently attends the  
 worship of God on Lord days with the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough,  
 Bridgewater and Raynham under the pastoral care of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Backus and  
 we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion

middleborough Nov<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1757

Isaac Backus } Committee  
 Nathaniel Shaw }  
 Edmund Williams }



Province of the Massachusetts Bay

This Certifies that John Pratt of middleborough frequents the public worship of God on Lord Days with the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus; and we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion.

November 9<sup>th</sup> 1757

Isaac Backus  
Nathaniel Shaw  
Edmund Williams } Committee

Province of the Massachusetts Bay

This may Certify all whom it may concern that Barnabas Eaton, Benjamin Mayford and Samuel Richard all of middleborough do usually attend the worship of God on Lord Days with the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater & Raynham under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus; and we conscientiously believe them to be of our persuasion.

middleborough November 1757

Isaac Backus  
Nathaniel Shaw  
Edmund Williams } Committee

Province of the Massachusetts Bay To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of Plymouth, these may Certify that Theophilus Crocker of middleborough frequently attends public worship on Lord Days with the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater and Raynham, under the care of Isaac Backus, Dea thereof; and we conscientiously believe him to be of our persuasion.

middleborough Jan<sup>y</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1757

Order of said Church

Isaac Backus  
Nathaniel Shaw  
Edmund Williams } Committee

Rahobath Feb<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1758

This may Certify all persons whom it may concern that we the first Baptist Church of Christ in Rahobath under the pastoral care of John Hix do esteem the second Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough under the pastoral care of Dea Ebenezer Hind, to be of our Denomination; and we believe them to be conscientiously of our persuasion.

Ephraim Hix  
John Hix  
Amos Boxworth } Committee in behalf of the Church

Rahobath Feb<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1758 This may Certify all persons whom it may concern that we the second Baptist Church of Christ in Rahobath under the pastoral care of Dea Richard Gould do esteem the second Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough under the pastoral care of Dea Ebenezer Hind, to be of our Denomination; and we believe them to be conscientiously of our persuasion: signed by

Richard Gould  
Nathaniel Shaw  
Amos Boxworth } Committee in behalf of the Church

To the Town Clerk of middleborough in the County of Plymouth, these may Certify that the Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough, Bridgewater and Raynham, under the pastoral care of Isaac Backus, do esteem the second Baptist Church of Christ in middleborough in the County of Plymouth under the pastoral care of Ebenezer Hind, Dea of said Church to be one of the Denomination; and that they conscientiously believe them to be of the Baptist opinion.

Dated February 9<sup>th</sup> 1758

Isaac Backus  
Nathaniel Shaw  
Edmund Williams } Committee

middleborough March 14<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that John Pratt attends the public worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe him to be of the Baptist opinion.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Smith  
William Hoar } Committee in behalf of the Church

middleborough March 17<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that the wife of Rebeckah Hoar attends the public worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe her to be of the Baptist opinion.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Hoar  
William Smith } Committee in behalf of the Church

middleborough March 16<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that William Smith, William Hoar and Thomas Raymond & Robert Hoar are members of the second Baptist Church of Christ in the Town of middleborough aforesaid.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Smith  
William Hoar } Committee in behalf of the Church

middleborough March 16<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that John Pratt attends the public worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe him to be of the Baptist opinion.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Smith  
William Hoar } Committee in behalf of the Church

middleborough March 16<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Josiah Capwell attends the public worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe him to be of the Baptist opinion.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Smith  
William Hoar } Committee in behalf of the Church

middleborough March 16<sup>th</sup> 1758 unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Jacob Kemmell & John Pratt both attend the public worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe them to be of the Baptist opinion.

Ebenezer Hind Dea  
William Smith  
William Hoar } Committee in behalf of the Church



a town meeting held at middletown old meeting house Sept<sup>r</sup> 1757 by the Qualified freeholders & other Inhabitants of said town to and acted on the business contained in the warrant (viz.) Thomas Nelson was Chosen, mod<sup>r</sup> for said meeting

Said meeting voted to Chuse five men, as agents (or the major part of them) to Joynce with the agents that may be Chosen by the Town of Rochester to settle the line between middletown & Rochester in the following manner, beginning at The Stake & Stone standing in middletown line which is the north westerly Corner Bound of Rochester, and from thence the East line straight a Cross the two Ruticas ponds and the neck between them unto a pine Tree old marked standing on the bank on the Eastermost side of the Eastermost of Ruticas ponds, and from thence on a straight line unto the pine Tree marked 1 PR standing in Wareham line which is the South Easterly Corner Bound of middletown next to Wareham; and to affix Stations on said line; and Lt Jacob Tompson, Jacob Bennet, John Tompson, Lt Thomas Nelson, & Peter Mark Haskall were Chosen to serve as above. ~~Said~~ <sup>Said</sup> meeting

at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller out of the Town Treasurer Eleven Shillings & four pence L<sup>rs</sup> for his endeavoring to perambulate the line between middletown & Rochester & for copy for the same; and also at said meeting voted to allow & pay to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller out of the Town Treasurer Seventeen Shillings & ten pence half penny for provisions; the Lt John Wood have who at present is a Town Charge

voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson out of the Town Treasurer L<sup>rs</sup> 19-8 for provisions he Lt Jonathan How have who is a Town Charge and also voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson Eight Shillings for endeavoring to perambulate the line between middletown & Rochester; and said meeting voted to allow & pay Lt Jacob Tompson out of the Town Treasurer Eight Shillings L<sup>rs</sup> for his assisting the Town Treasurer in endeavoring to perambulate the line between middletown & Rochester

then voted to adjourn said meeting to monday the 3<sup>d</sup> day of October at one o'clock in the afternoon; and the mod<sup>r</sup> declared the meeting to be adjourned to that time

at the 3<sup>d</sup> 1757 having meet according to adjournment the Mod<sup>r</sup> took his place & read the Following votes viz.

voted and accepted of a Report of a Committee Chosen to settle accounts with the former Town Treasurer viz m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller and inquire into the State of the Town the Report is as followeth viz we



We the Subscribers been Chosen a Com<sup>tee</sup> by the Inhabitants of the Town  
 of Middleborough to Examine & Settle accounts with m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller the  
 former Town Treasurer: and in Compliance to Said Town we meet  
 September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1757 at the House of m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller; after Examining  
 Said Treasurers accounts we find Said Treasurer hath Received of  
 Several Constables of the Town & of the Province Treasurer & fines &c  
 March 29<sup>th</sup> 1755 the Sum of £ 139 - 6 - 0 L. m and paid out  
 By order of Said Town the Sum of £ 129 - 19 - 11 Lawfull money  
 Lawfull money and Their Remains in Said Treasurers hand £ 9 - 6 - 1  
 What Remains in the Constables hands as followeth (viz)  
 1750  
 Jacob Borden in his List paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in Lawfull money is £ 10 - 18 - 0 The Sum of £ 19 - 13 - 3  
 Remains due 0 - 15 - 3

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 in his List £ 10 - 10 - 9 The Sum of £ 17 - 6 - 3  
 Remains due 3 - 3 - 7

Eben<sup>r</sup> Raymond Constable the paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 List Committed to him Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1753 The Sum of £ 13 - 15 - 3  
 The Sum of £ 16 - 7 - 3 Remains due 2 - 12 - 0

Samuel Bennet Constable 1754 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in his List £ 36 - 14 - 4 The Sum of £ 34 - 3 - 1  
 Remains due 2 - 11 - 3

Isaac Billington Constable 1754 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in his List £ 13 - 5 - 8 The Sum of £ 11 - 16 - 0  
 Remains due 1 - 9 - 8

Lechariah Eddy Constable 1755 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in his List £ 15 - 14 - 3 The Sum of £ 9 - 6 - 10  
 Remains due 6 - 7 - 5

David Shaw Constable 1755 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in his List £ 12 - 0 - 7 The Sum of £ 7 - 3 - 11  
 Remains due 4 - 16 - 8

Nelson Finney Constable 1755 The whole  
 in his List £ 16 - 16 - 0 Remains due £ 16 - 16 - 0

Nathaniel Southworth Constable 1755 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 in his List £ 19 - 19 - 4 The Sum of £ 11 - 10 - 8  
 Remains due 8 - 8 - 8

John Leonard Constable 1755 The whole Remains  
 in his List £ 14 - 13 - 3 Due £ 14 - 13 - 3



James Murdoch Constable 1755  
 In his List - L 13-11-5  
 paid to m<sup>r</sup> Elias Miller Treasurer  
 the sum of - L 4-10-0  
 Remains due - 8-18-3

The Before written is a True Settlement according  
 to the account shewn to us as witness our hands

Thomas Nelson }  
 Joseph Finkham } Com<sup>rs</sup>

at said meeting voted to Raise thirty pounds Lawfull money  
 by Levying a Tax on the polls & Estate of the Inhabitants of  
 the Town of Middleborough for to Defray the Charges  
 arisen in said Town, and the aforesaid are fully authorized  
 and empowered to assess the Inhabitants of the Town for said  
 sum, and to Direct their Warrants to the Constables to pay  
 said sum into the Town Treasurer

and then the meeting was dismissed

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House Jan<sup>y</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> 1758  
 aforesaid meeting voted and made Choyce of Nathaniel Bumpson to serve the  
 Town as Grand jurymen for the year ensuing; and William Hastings &  
 Isaac Finkham were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law  
 directs to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court  
 of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Plymouth for and  
 within the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March next

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House  
 Jan<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1758 voted and made Choyce of Ephraim Wood and  
 William Cushman to serve as Grand Jurymen; and Phillip Lewis  
 and Abner Peirce were appointed by drawing out of the  
 box as the Law directs to serve on the jury of Tryals at  
 the next Inferior Court to be holden at Plymouth within  
 and for the County of Plymouth on the last Tuesday of  
 August next

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House Sep<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1758  
 voted and made Choyce of Nathaniel Southworth and Jedidah Scott  
 were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve  
 on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court of General Sessions of  
 the peace to be holden at Plymouth for and within the County of  
 Plymouth on the last Tuesday of September next

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House March 20<sup>th</sup> 1758  
 qualified freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town March 20<sup>th</sup> 1758  
 the Choyce of Town officers for the ensuing year was as follows  
 Nelson was Choyce Moderator of said meeting  
 Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Deacon Gershom Cobb, John Tompson, Lieut Thomas Hapson }  
 David Adon } Isaac Dyer }  
 Lieut Thomas Nelson, Joseph Finkham & Jacob Bennett Choyce Assessors  
 m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson Town Treasurer

Richard Dyer, Benj<sup>m</sup> Thomas, John Jackson }  
 and John Briggs were Choyce Constable for the year ensuing

Henry Wood, Isaac Cushman, Samuel Warren, David Adon }  
 Barnabas Eaton, Confider Benson, Josiah Rider, Silas Cyprian }  
 Edward Washburn, Jacob Sherman, Ebenezer Briggs, James }  
 Cox & Nathan Hastings were Choyce Surveyors of high ways for  
 the year ensuing

Noah Thomas, Hezekiah Dyer & Joseph Allen were Choyce

Benjamin Warren } field Drivers  
 Edmund Weston jun<sup>r</sup> }  
 William Read jun<sup>r</sup> }

Ephraim Wood Choyce Sealer of Letter

Nathan Thomas, John Booth }  
 John Cavender & Thomas Redding } were Choyce hog Rees

Joseph Benson Choyce to the due observance of the province  
 John Howland Law relating to killing Deer

John Ames Choyce to the due observance of the province  
 Seth Read Law relating to Horses going on the Commons

at said meeting voted to Take the fifth Colled Slaves as they  
 go up to Capt there & spawn in the river or brook that Runs out  
 the Long Pond so called

meeting voted to allow and pay John Tompson out of the  
 on Treasurer L 2-11-8 for preambulating the Town line, and  
 making Rates in the year 1757 and for serving as Town Treasurer  
 the year 1757 and for raising out high ways & writing the

Phillip Mayho }  
 John Booth } field Drivers  
 David Simmons }  
 James Cobb }







at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting House  
May 22 1758 and Capt. Thimex Sprout, was chosen to serve for  
and represent the Town at the Great and General Court of assembly  
to be held at Boston for his majesty's service at the Court House in  
Boston upon Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May instant and to during  
the session & adjournment of said Court

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting House Sept<sup>r</sup>  
1758 by the qualified freemen and other inhabitants of said Town  
and Lt. Thomas Nelson was chosen moderator of said meeting  
and at said meeting voted to put on Record the Report of agents  
that was chosen Sept<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1757 to settle the line with Rochester agents  
between middleborough and Rochester. The Report is as follows (viz)

To the inhabitants of the Town of middleborough as they are this  
day assembled at the old meeting House in said Town we  
the subscribers agents chosen by said Town Sept<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1757 to  
settle the line with Rochester agents between the said Town  
Report that we met with Rochester agents the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of  
September instant, and they refused to joine with us to  
settle said line agreeable to our instructions so that  
could do nothing in that affair.

dated at middlebor Sept<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1758

Jacob Tinson  
Mark Haskall  
John Tinson  
Thomas Nelson

at said meeting the Town voted and Released the above named  
agents Jacob Tinson, Mark Haskall, John Tinson, Thomas  
Nelson and Jacob Bennet who were chosen agents Sept<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1757  
to joine with Rochester agents in settling the line between  
middleborough & Rochester from said service

Then the Moderator Dismissed said meeting

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting House  
Jan<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1759 and David Sears & Edmund Wood were appointed  
by drawing out of the Box to serve on the jury of Tryals  
at the next Inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden  
at plymouth on the first Tuesday of Jan<sup>r</sup> instant

a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting House June 25<sup>th</sup> 1759  
and Nathaniel Holbrook & William Thomas were appointed by drawing  
out of the Box to serve on the jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour  
Court of Common pleas to be holden at plymouth on the first Tuesday  
of July next

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At a town meeting held at Middleborough old meeting house April 6<sup>th</sup> day 1759 voted and made choice of Joseph Finkham & Ephraim Wood to serve on the grand jury. And Isaac Nierse & John Finkham jr. were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law Directs to serve on the jury of Trials at the next Superior Court to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the Last Tuesday of April next

Sept. 28. 1760. Here published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Samuel Burdett of Boston in that colony of Connecticut and 1763. The same lot of 2500 pounds of Joseph Kimball Town Clerk

Oct 2. 1760 Since I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Smith Jr. and  
Potter Simons both of Middlebury & Joseph Smith Jr. and

Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage, between Daniel ward of Free-  
ston gentleman and Elizabeth Kinner of Widdellborough Inden woman  
6 Jan: 1761. Inkh. Ham. Town. 61.

May 25 1764 Then I published a purpose between m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Simons of Middleborough & m<sup>rs</sup> Anne Plimney of Bridgewater; also published a purpose of marriage between Thos<sup>o</sup> Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> & Sarah Cushman both of Middleborough and also published a purpose of marriage between J<sup>o</sup> Simmons Jun<sup>r</sup> and Elizabeth Howland both of Middleborough by me Joseph Kirkland Town Clerk

July 13. 1761. Then I published a purpose of marriage between David Miller & Sarah Tomson both of Middlebury  
D<sup>d</sup> Joseph Pinkham Town Clerk

June 29. 1769. I published a purpose of marriage between John Norrie of  
Warricham & Gemina Benson of middelbrough  
D. Joseph Finkler Town Clerk

July 27. 1764 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Abraham Hart and  
Priscilla Reed both of Middleborough & Joseph Vinkham Town etc.

Then I published a picture of one stage between Elijah Shaw of Middleboro  
and Noble Simpson of Taunton: a wife Micah Turner of Raynham &  
Mary Eaton of Middleborough. Joseph Finkham June 16<sup>th</sup>

Jan 7 published a proposal of marriage between Mr. Spencer Child & Mrs. Elizabeth Warren both of Middleborough D. Joseph Pinkham Town Clerk

September 7: 1769 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. William Coffin and Mrs. Lufanna Tothas also David Bryant & Lucy Bryant both of Middleborough as also a purpose of marriage between Mrs. John of Middleborough and Silas Dean of Hingham

Joseph Pinkham Linn (Cov)

Sept 21 1761 then I published a purpose of marriage between Abijah Nickoll of  
Hillingly in the Colony of Connecticut and Lydia Wadsworth of Middleborough

1802. 10/11 - Then I published a purpose of marriage between Jacob Leach and Sarah Elham both of middleborough. <sup>of Joseph Leach and Sarah Leach</sup> of Joseph Leach and Sarah Leach.

1758 I then published a proposal of marriage between <sup>of</sup> Samuel  
Hester of Middleborough, & m<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Kent of Kingston  
Joseph Kirkham. Typm. Clerk

Rem. I published a graphic of marriage between John Leonard & Mary Ann Leonard.

15 I am I published a group of marriage between I French & I  
I Catholic (Catholic) and I Catholic (Catholic) and I Catholic (Catholic)

Then I published a paper of mine between Benj<sup>n</sup> & Sandy of Kingston  
288. and August Southworth of New York by me

Philip Johnson to Conf. 1848  
Joseph Luskham, 1848, (1848)  
signed between 1848 and 1848

and of middlesex. Elizabeth Woke of Kingston  
D Joseph Dickinson Town Conn

Then separated a purpose of marriage between father & mother of middleb<sup>y</sup> & Elizabeth Williams of Sauntery N.Ys. The husband on the

Dec. 1858 Then I published a notice of marriage between Eliza Booth & Sarah  
Haskell both of Middleborough W Joseph Finkham Town (Br)

then I published a purpose of marriage between master Standish & of Hobb  
many Lady of Middlebury Joseph Luskham & Town Clerk

published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Cole and  
Isabel both of Middleborough & Joseph Finkham D.C.

He published a purpose of marrying between Jacob Ellison and  
and Mary Barden both of middleborough & George Dickham.

the illegals purpose of marriage between Isaac and Hannah of Plymouth  
very person of Middleborough; also James Purifies and Mary from  
both of Middleborough; also Joshua Shaw of Middleborough and

Abigail Williams of Truett, & Joseph Increase Smith.

and Joshua Hildeth both of mid Gloucestershire

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March 8<sup>th</sup> 1789 and a large white of mixed color: pale and dry of mixed color: and Margaret ~~Thompson~~ of Plymouth & Joseph Tinkham Town

Published a purpose of marriage between Peter  
& Abiah Richmond both of Middleborough.

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March 19: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Jacob Wapburn and Lucia Richmond both of Middleboro' also Confider Chase of Middleborough & Eunice Tilton of Plymton by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

March 18: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Betty Langbein both of Middleborough & me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

April 15: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Edward Shepherd of Middleborough & Lucia Richmond of Haverhill by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

April 20: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Cole Junr and Abiah Bryant both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

March 19: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Confider Chase of Middleborough & Eunice Tilton of Plymton by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

April 23: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Allen of Middleborough and m<sup>r</sup> Mary Tilton of Haverhill by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

June 11: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Leonard both of Middleborough and also m<sup>r</sup> Simon Foggitt and Abigail Pratt both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

October 1: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Edward Wapburn of Middleborough & Phoebe Smith both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

November 5: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between George Smith of Middleborough & also I published a purpose of marriage between Philip Dean of Taunton and Abigail Chase of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Stephen Smith and Judah Reynolds both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Andrew Cobb and Rebecca Sampson both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

December 1: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Barnabas Sampson & Mary Clark both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

December 17: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Horler of Taunton and m<sup>r</sup> Martha Rider of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Dec<sup>r</sup> 24: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Leonard Jurney of Abington and Sarah Hall of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Dec<sup>r</sup> 24: 1759 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Darling & Huldah Skinner both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Jan<sup>y</sup> 7: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Duggott of Middleborough and m<sup>r</sup> Rebekah Rich of Plymouth by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> William Thayer and m<sup>r</sup> Lydia Lathrop both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Feb<sup>r</sup> 1: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Smith and m<sup>r</sup> Mary Thomas Junr both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Feb<sup>r</sup> 17: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Dr. Stephen Powers & m<sup>r</sup> Lydia Drew both of Middleborough also Job Hunt Resident in Middleboro' and Abiah Allen of said Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

Feb<sup>r</sup> 28: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Caswell & Lydia Ransom both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

March 17: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Elder Junr & m<sup>r</sup> Hannah Dumroy both of Middleborough and also John Clerk of Lebanon in the Colony of Connecticut and Elizabeth Darling of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

March 21: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Hathaway of Taunton and Abigail Thorne of Middleborough and also John Heskings & m<sup>r</sup> Michael Caswell both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

April 7: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Harlow & m<sup>r</sup> Joanna Thomas both of Middleborough and also between Benjamin Benson of Middleborough & Hannah Steward of Rochester by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

April 17: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Isaac Barker of Middleborough & Deborah Carter of Dartmouth by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

May 5: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Drake of Andover and Lydia Hays of Middleborough and also Nathaniel Cole & m<sup>r</sup> Stephen and Haffadiah Sampson of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

June 17: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between William Saul & Sarah Briggs both of Middleborough by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

June 24: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John Nelson of Middleborough and Hope Rounsevel of Haverhill by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

October 13: 1760 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Zadeh Thomas of Middleborough & m<sup>r</sup> Averick Standish of Haverhill by me Joseph Litcham Town Clerk

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middleborough march the 3: 1758, unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these may Certify that Charley Kennells attends the worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } Committee in  
William Smith } behalf of  
William Hoar } the Church

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To the town Clerk of middleborough, these are to Certify that John Dugliss and Samuel Hayward & Isaac Howland all of them attend the publick worship of God with us on the Lord Days and we conscientiously believe they are of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } the Committee in  
William Smith } behalf of the  
William Hoar } Church

middleborough march the 23: 1758  
unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Joshua Howland attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } the Committee in  
William Smith } behalf of the  
William Hoar } Church

middleborough march the 29: 1758

unto the Town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Jacob Booth attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } Committee in the  
William Smith } behalf of the  
William Hoar } Church

middleborough march 28: 1758  
unto the town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Isaac Booth attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } Committee in  
William Smith } behalf of the  
William Hoar } Church

middleborough march 17: 1758

unto the town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Joseph Smith both attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe that he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } the Committee  
William Smith } in behalf of  
William Hoar } the Church

middleborough march 17: 1758  
unto the town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Isaac Kennells both attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } Committee  
William Smith } in behalf of  
William Hoar } the Church

middleborough march 16: 1758  
unto the town Clerk of middleborough these are to Certify that Thomas Hamden both attend the publick worship of God with us on Lord Days and we conscientiously believe he is of the Baptist opinion

Benjamin Hinds Elder } Committee  
William Smith } in behalf of  
William Hoar } the Church

april 1: 1760  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Jeremiah Thomas and Susanna Thomas both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 1: 1760  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Lucy Prince & Bathsheba Babbit both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 9: 1760  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Bennett and Mary Duffless both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 8: 1760  
I have published a purpose of marriage between John Bennett of middleborough and Jedidah White of Freedom & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 9: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Ephraim Harkness and Abigail Leonard both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 16: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Job Prince and Elizabeth Mansfield both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 22: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Mary Stone & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 16: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Archibald Cole & Mrs. Drigela Howland both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 12: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Charles Sumner & Deborah Cushman both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 17: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Jonathan Saxton of Danforth and Mrs. Mary Redding of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 20: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Jones of middleborough and Betty Lewis of Hingham & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 24: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Mr. William Butler of Belmont and Mrs. Elizabeth Riden both of middleborough as also I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Benjamin Perkins of Bridgewater & Mrs. Hephzibah usaffaham of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 24: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Sumner & Joanna Cole both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 24: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Prince & Susanna London both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 29: 1761  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Chatham Taylor & Mary Harkness both of middleborough & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk

april 20  
I have published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Smith of middleborough & Esther Harkness of Bridgewater & Jos: Pinkham Town Clerk







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- 9 Ephraim Wood Chosen Letter Sealer
- 10 Jonathan Read }  
Samuel Trath } Chosen by Reeves  
Nathan Cobb }  
John Candy }
- 11 Jonathan Ranford } Chosen to the due observance of the  
Isaac Howland } Province Law Relating to killing deer
- 12 John Elmes } Chosen to the due observance of the  
Beth Read } Province Law Relating to going on the Common
- 13 Ebenezer Weston }  
Emuel Dunham } fence Viewers  
John Warren }  
Josiah Richmond }

at said meeting voted and adjourned said meeting to Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March instant at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon to be held at the old meeting house in Middleborough upon the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March and the mod<sup>o</sup> declared to be adjourned to that time

March 26<sup>th</sup> 1789 the Inhabitants of said Town at Middleborough being met at the time and place according to adjournment and the mod<sup>o</sup> took his place & read the following vote viz

Then at said meeting voted and Excused Mr. Cornelius Bennett from serving as Constable for the present year provided he should choose the Town as Grammar Schoolmaster for the year in case there ~~be no other person~~ in case there doth any appear to leave he will leave them for a Responsible Disposition as witness my hand  
Ch Bennett

Then voted and made choice of John Norton for a Constable and upon the Report he the T<sup>own</sup> chose Chosen Constable for the old precinct the Town by vote Excused him from serving as Constable

at said meeting voted and made choice of Jacob Green as Constable for the year ensuing

\* Then at said meeting voted to Remit 10/11 L<sup>ms</sup> the amount of money was Rated in Jacob Lushmans Rate List and the said Gates to have the same allowed and paid out of the Town Treasurer



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then at said meeting voted that the Sixth Paragrass in the warrant should be dismissed  
Then voted to adjourn said meeting to may at the town meeting then to be held for the choice of Representatives and the mod declared said meeting to be

may 21<sup>st</sup> 1759 This day the town of middleborough met at middleborough & old meeting house according to adjournment and the moderator took his office and read provided and passed the following votes

1 at said meeting ~~the~~ Jacob Green from serving as Constable for this present year

2 at said meeting voted and made choice of Joshua Shaw for a Constable to serve in the Room and stead of Jacob Green who was desired to serve and also voted and made choice of John McCutcheon to serve as Constable who was chosen last march and had never been sworn to take the oath required by law

3 at said meeting voted to allow and pay Samuel Thomas Seventeen shillings out of the Town Treasures for cutting firewood for John Wood who is at present a Town Charge

4 at said meeting voted to allow and pay Mr. John Tomson out of the Town Treasures one pound & fifteen shillings for his serving as Town Treasures for the year 1758 and for going to plymouth and also for sundry other articles mentioned in his account

5 at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Lt. Thomas Nelson £1-14-8 out of the Town Treasures for much province Town & County Rates in the year 1758 and also 15/- for going to plymouth to give a Mr. Hovey & giving him the lawful fee & money returned for sundry & copies and also 8/- for preambulating the line between Tarrant & middleborough

6 at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Dr. he shon Old 4/- for boarding wid. Diana son weeks & 1/4 for 1/2 day laying out high ways

7 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Mr. David Allen £2-6-2 out of the Town Treasures for meet & chaise he let give wood have and for boarding two orphan children ten weeks and clothing said child and also preambulating line between Tarrant & middleborough & also 1/2 day laying out high way &c

8 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Jacob Bennett out of the Town Treasures £1-17-4 for making province Town & County Rates in the year 1758 and 10/8 for attending the select men with his company &c in preambulating the line between Tarrant & middleborough

9 at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Joseph Finkham out of the Town Treasures 10/8 for making province Town & County Rates in the year 1758

10 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Lt. Jacob Tomson 2/8 out of the Town Treasures for one day serving the town as agent in settling the line between middleborough & Rochester

11 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Mr. Shadrach Nierce out of the Town Treasures 10/9 while term Stephen Quahon Jurist was held in said Nierce Rate bills & there being no state to be found &c

12 at said meeting voted & made choice of Messrs. John Miller & John Wood & Joseph Bates junr for a Committee to examine the accounts relating to the small pox and make Report at the next Town meeting

13 at said meeting voted not to choose an agent to goe with an agent that might be chosen by Tarrant as was proposed to settle the line between Tarrant & middleborough and then the mod declared the meeting to be dismissed

at a Town meeting held at middleborough Old meeting house may 21<sup>st</sup> 1759 and Capt. Sprout was chosen to represent for and represent the town in the next and General Court or assembly to be held at West for his majestys service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 30 day of may instant and so during there Session and Sessions of said Court

at a Town meeting held at middleborough Old meeting house July 21<sup>st</sup> 1759 by the freholders & others in Tarrant of said Town and provided by the following vote (viz) Voted and made choice of Peter mark Haskell for mod of said meeting

14 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Lt. Thomas Nelson out of the Town Treasures £3-6-10 for money he paid to Mr. James Hovey, and attending at plymouth Court on the account of John Williams who was Rated by Tarrant after aspersions: and also for indemnifying to preambulating the line between middleborough & Rochester

15 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Joseph Finkham out of the Town Treasures Eighteen shillings for his attending plymouth Court four days & expenses on the account of John Williams who complained he was wrongfully Rated

16 at said meeting voted to allow and pay John Tomson ten shillings and eight pence out of the Town Treasures for five days attending to preambulating the line between middleborough & Rochester and one day at plymouth Court on the account of John Williams who complained he was wrongfully Rated



1<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to allow and pay to and be paid to  
 \* twelve Shillings & two pence out of the Town Treasury  
 for allowing the Selectmen to be in presence  
 relating the Line between Middleborough and Rochester  
 and one day at Plymouth Court on the account of John  
 Williams who complained he was wrongfully rated

5<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to allow and pay to Henry Thomas  
 four Shillings & four pence out of the Town Treasury  
 for two days endeavoring to preambulating the Line between  
 Middleborough and Rochester

6<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to Raise £30-0-0 L. m. by levying a  
 Tax or assessment on the polls and Estates of the inhabitants  
 of Middleborough, and to be paid into the Town  
 Treasurer by the first day of Nov<sup>r</sup> next, and to be applied  
 for the use of the School kept in said Town and  
 to be disposed of at Said Treasurer by Order of the  
 Select men from time to time and applied to the use  
 as aforesaid as the Select men shall see occasion

7<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to Raise sixty two pounds by levying a  
 Tax or assessment on the polls and Estates of the inhabitants  
 of Middleborough for to defray the Charges arisen in  
 said Town for the purpose of pay out of said sum the  
 County Tax for this present year, and the Town Tre-  
 asurer is hereby directed to pay the said County Tax &  
 take a Receipt therefor: and the Assessors are hereby  
 directed to assess the inhabitants of said Town for the  
 above said sums and commit the Rate Lists to the  
 Constables by the fifteenth day of September next  
 directing them in the warrants committed with said  
 Rate Lists to pay the said sums so assessed in the Town  
 Treasurer at or before the first day of November  
 next ensuing: and then the meeting was dismissed

at a Town meeting held at Middleborough, old meeting House September 24<sup>th</sup> 1759  
 and Jediah Thomas & Jethro Thomas were appointed by drawing out of  
 the Box as the Jurors to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next  
 Inferior Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at  
 Plymouth for and within the County of Plymouth on the first  
 Tuesday of October next

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough, old meeting House Sept<sup>r</sup>  
 24<sup>th</sup> 1759 and m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson was chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting  
 then proceeded and passed the following votes (1759)

1<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted and made choice of Joseph Tinkham for an  
 agent to defend the Town against a presentment made by the Grand  
 against the Town of Middleborough at July Court last past for the  
 Town's not keeping a Grammar School according to Law

2<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted and made choice of Ebenezer Shaw for  
 a Constable in the Room & stead of Joshua Shaw who was  
 at the annual meeting last past & Refused to serve

3<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted & made choice of Arariah Thresher for a  
 Surveyor of High ways to serve in the Room & stead of Joshua Kneeland  
 who was at last past

4<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to allow & pay to Zebulon Leonard one  
 pound & six pence out of the Town Treasury on the account  
 of the loss of a horse and a cow which had been stolen in said  
 Leonard's Bills

5<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted to allow & pay to Benjamin Thomas thirteen  
 Shillings & seven pence out of the Town Treasury on the account  
 of Benjamin Thomas Rates being Remitted in said Thomas's Rates  
 Bills

6<sup>ly</sup> at Said meeting voted and accepted of the Report of a Comtee (chose  
 Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 1759) to examine the accounts of Servory persons related  
 to the Image box of the wid<sup>d</sup> Susan Bryant & family, the Report  
 as follows (dirt)

The Demand of a Clerk for nursing the wid <sup>d</sup> Susan Bryant & family 58 days charged at 4 <sup>th</sup> p <sup>r</sup> day	Reported 3/4 p <sup>r</sup> day is £9:13:8
The Demand of Thomas Miller for nursing wid <sup>d</sup> Bryant & family 50 days charged 3 <sup>th</sup> p <sup>r</sup> day	Reported 2/3 p <sup>r</sup> day is £6:3:4
The Demand of Thomas Miller for nursing wid <sup>d</sup> Bryant & family eight weeks & 1 day at 12 <sup>th</sup> p <sup>r</sup> week	Report 9/10 sufficient p <sup>r</sup> week 3-4-0



for 16 days at 1/8 p day	Report 1/8 p day is a ruff	£ 2-2-8
for 6 days himself & horse & post the account of the small pox	Report the sum is due	0-12-0
for 20 days himself & 7 1/2 days his horse £ 20-0-0 old sennar	Report the sum is sufficient	2-0-0
for many articles	Report (some things are high, and need to be put right, and there is due to said Briggs)	£ 5-0-0
for a great number of days and other service thought need of time a good part	Report for said Briggs for service	£ 1-13-0
for one pound of Candles	allowed	0-0-8
for sundries & on Examining & accounts find due and	Report for Smith	£ 1-0-0
for five days	allowed 10/	0-10-0
for cutting and carting fire wood & sundries thought (high) to high and	Report to survey	0-18-8
for fire wood for the wid. Bryant and Examining said account	Report due to Smith	0-5-4
for cutting and cutting fire wood & other things the account Examined find due &	Report for said	0-15-0
for service done for the wid. Bryant and family when sick with the small pox	Report for said	0-5-0
for being put out of his house and out of all business and greatly damaged by the small pox	Report for said	£ 2-0-0
for sundries & on Examining & the left light obtained find just due and	Report for said	£ 2-12-0
for & on the account of damage by the small pox and on Examining said account	Report for said	0-19-4
for sundries supplying the nurses that was nursing the wid. Bryant's family when sick with the small pox	Report for said	0-9-5
for sundries for supplying the nurses that nursed the wid. Bryant's family when sick with the small pox	Report for said	0-11-9
for sundries & allowed	Report for said	0-8-3

Special Board for the wid. Bryant's family & our	Report for said	0-12-0
and the account is allowed & the	Report is for	0-6-
and is thought just & by said Board is accepted and the	Report is for	0-8-
for sundries that Dr. Eli. kept the wid. Bryant with whom sick with the small pox	Report for said	0-18-
We whose names are hereunto subscribed Chosen and appointed as a Committee to examine all accounts respecting the small pox as aforesaid having made inquiry and carefully examined all accounts Report as aforesaid to the said Town of Middleborough according to the best of our understanding and judgment	Local John Miller, Jehad Wood, Joseph B. B. Jr. Comtee aforesaid	£ 43-2
at a Town Meeting held at Middleborough 10th meeting November 22, 1759 and Lieut. Thomas Nelson was chosen mod. of said meeting		
At said meeting Mr. Samuel Maycumber appeared behalf of Benjamin Allen and paid fifty Dollars into the Town Treasury for the Damage said Allen has done the Town by bringing in Jonathan Hoar and his family in said Town who were and have been a Town. (Chosen) Some years ago, upon which the said Benjamin Allen is discharged and his heirs for ever for the future from any further Demand said Town may have or they have had against said Allen on account of said Allen and his family, voted in the affirmative		
When the mod. L. Smith L. meeting		
at a Town meeting held at Middleborough 10th meeting Nov. 22, 1759 and Dr. Benjamin Incher & James Shouls were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the law directs to be the Jury of Trials at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be held at Plymouth within 1 and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday next		



At a Town meeting held at Middleborough, old meeting  
House December 24<sup>th</sup> 1759 and Mr. Thomas Nelson  
was chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting

at said meeting voted and made choice of Mr.  
John Tompson for an agent to defend the Town of mid-  
dleborough at the next Inferior Court to be holden at  
Plymouth on the first Tueday of Jan<sup>y</sup> next against a  
prosecution made against said Town by the Grand  
Jury at the last July Court for not being supplied  
with a Grammar School according to Law

Then the mod<sup>r</sup> dissolved said meeting

At a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting  
House, by the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town  
for the choice of Town officers and other business concerned in  
the warrant on monday the 10 day of march A.D. 1760  
and Peter Oliver was chosen Mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting  
on a motion made and seconded Voted to adjourn said meeting  
from this place immediately to the new meeting House and  
accordingly said meeting was adjourned; and met according  
to adjournment the mod<sup>r</sup> took his place and passed the fol-  
lowing votes (Viz)

1<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

2<sup>ly</sup> Mr. Thomas Nelson  
Mr. John Montgomerie  
Mr. Henry Thomas  
M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin White  
Mr. Jabez Wood

Select men for the  
 ensuing year

3<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Finkham  
Mr. Thomas Nelson  
Mr. Jacob Bennett

were chosen assessors

4<sup>ly</sup> Mr. John Tompson Town Treasurer for the year ensuing

Ebenezer Briggs  
Edward Sherman  
Eliaser Pratt  
Mr. Cornelius Bennett

were chosen Constables  
for the year ensuing



64 Capt. Samuel Thacher, Rowland Benson, Caleb Tompson, Daniel Vaughan,  
Nathaniel Bumpas, David Alden jr., Geddieh Lyon, William Short,  
Gaber Thome, William Thropter, Elipha. onkylogus, Jacob Shennall,  
John Richmond, Lt. Samuel Smith & Joseph Maitland Survey  
for high ways

65 David Sears }  
Joseph Lovel & } Tithing men for the year Exping  
Wilfon Ripley }

66 William Harlow Sealer of Letters }  
67 Ezra Clark }  
Thomas Cole } were chosen hog Reeves  
Samuel Raymond }  
Joshua Raymond }

68 Rowland Benson & } to the due observance of the Province Law  
David Simons - - } Relating to killing of Deer  
69 Josiah Wood & } Chosen to see to the due observance of the prov  
Hemiel Dunham } Law Relating to horses going on the Common

70 Capt. Samuel Thacher }  
Zechariah Eddy } were chosen fence Viewers  
Benjamin Thome }  
John Richmond junr }

71 David Alden & } were chosen a Comtee to examine the Town  
Josiah Freeman } Treasurers accounts & make Report there  
next meeting

72 at said meeting voted to Remitt p<sup>ts</sup> 16 being the whole of Ben  
brigs Thacher's Rate in Benjamin Thome's Rate List; and  
73 at said Benj<sup>m</sup> to have the above sum Disputed with the Town  
Treasurer

74 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Mr. Gorge Milton four Shill  
out of the Town Treasurer for his service in Examining the accounts  
75 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Josiah Wood 3/ out of the Town  
Treasurer for Examining accounts Relating the Small pox

76 at said meeting voted to allow & pay Joseph Bates Junr  
three Shillings out of the Town Treasurer for his service in  
Examining accounts Relating the Small pox



at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Joseph Starkham  
L-1-5-4 out of the Town Treasurer for making the province  
Town & County Rates for the year 1759 & paper for the same

at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Jacob Reddett  
L-1-5-4 out of the Town Treasurer for his making the  
Province & Town Rates in the year 1759

at said meeting voted to allow & pay Lt Thomas Nelson  
2/ for money paid for Recording 2 warrants and aff-1-4  
for making Rates in the year 1759

at said meeting voted and improved the Town Treasurer  
to pay the above & foregoing sums to the several persons who  
have money voted to them  
at said meeting voted that the sume belonging to said Town should have liberty  
to run at said this present year the owners thereof observing the directions of the last  
year the mod. Declared said meeting to be adjourned without  
day &c

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house mard. 17. 1760  
and Lt Thomas Nelson was chosen mod. of said meeting, then at said meeting  
voted and made choice of m. David Allen & m. John Emerson to serve on  
the Grand Jury at the Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at  
Boston & within the S. County of Middlesex on the first day of april next  
and at the several Courts of General Sessions of the peace to be holden  
there for one year: and app. appointed Josiah Freeman & Jacob  
Bennett by drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on said  
Jury for Trials at S. Court on the first Tuesday of april next.

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house April 14. 1760  
and Capt. Samuel Shaker & William Ruffham were chosen to serve on the  
Grand Jury: and Caleb Sampson & William Nelson were appointed by drawing  
out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at  
the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Common Pleas Delinery to  
be holden at Plymouth on the 1st Tuesday of april next

at a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house may 19. 1760  
and Capt. Ebenezer Proctor was chosen Justice for & represent the Town  
at the grate and General Court or assembly to be held at and kept for his  
majestys Service at the Court House in Boston upon wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
day of may instant and also during there sessions & sessions of said  
Court

At a town meeting held by the freemen & other inhabitants of said Town  
largely worn and held at middleborough old meeting house may 19. 1760  
and voted and made choice of Lt Thomas Nelson for mod. of  
said meeting

at said meeting voted & made choice of m. Cornelius Bennett  
and John Elworthy to serve as Constables for this present year

at said meeting the Town by vote Excused m. Cornelius Bennett for  
serving as Constable this present year

at said meeting voted and made choice of Elison Ripley for Constable  
in Room & stead of m. Cornelius Bennett who was Excused by the Town  
and then the Moderator dismissed said meeting

At a town meeting held at middleborough old meeting house  
June 2. 1760 and Lt Thomas Nelson was chosen mod.  
for said meeting

at said meeting voted to allow and pay to m. John Sampson out of the  
Town Treasurer L-4-2-10 1/2 it being for serving as Treasurer  
in the year 1759 and also money he paid m. Oke, and also Time  
and Expenses he was at in taken care of the Towns business  
Relating to a presentment & other things

at said meeting voted to allow and pay Gershom Sampson  
two pounds out of the Town Treasurer in full of all cost that  
he said Gershom was at in the Election & funeral Charges of  
Late Son-in-law Robert Sampson Deceased who died with the Town  
Box

at said meeting the Town voted that the Town should forbear  
out his presentment against the several Constables in said Town so far  
as the sums due from them as Constables as the Soldiers are Rated in  
their bills that are detained in his majestys Service until such time  
as they shall be dismissed  
then at said meeting the Town by vote accepted of Samuel  
Raymond to serve as Constable this present year in the Room &  
stead of John Sampson who was chosen Constable may 19. 1760  
Thomas Raymond being his the S. S. Shumard handman

at said meeting voted to allow & pay m. Ebenezer Raymond for  
serving out of the Town Treasurer for serving as the said Ebenezer  
did the Town in Judicering to take Peter Capwell who was S. of  
on the Town

at said meeting voted & accepted of a List of Jurys & grand Jurys  
List out of the Province and these marked Ills & apt to serve  
as Jurys at the Superior Court and the others as S. List the  
serve at the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas

then the mod. Dismissed said meeting



at a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House  
June 28: 1760 and Mr. Josiah Rider and Conner Rutherford  
were appointed (as the Law directs) by drawing out of the  
box To serve on the Jury of Trials at the next Justice  
Court of Common Pleas to be held at Plymouth on the  
first Tuesday of July next

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House  
September 22: 1760 and Barnabas Eaton, Benjamin Darling and  
Henry Leonard were appointed (as the Law directs) by drawing  
out of the box to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next Justice  
Court of Common Pleas to be held at Plymouth on the first  
Tuesday of October next

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House  
September 22: 1760 by the Qualified Freeholders & other Inha-  
bitants of said Town: and next Thomas Rogers was  
Chosen mod of said meeting

By at said meeting Voted to Raise £50-0-0 by levying a Tax or  
assessment on the polls & Estate of the Inhabitants of said  
Town for the Support of Schools to be kept in several  
parts of said Town as shall hereafter be ordered for one  
year ending from the above date

and then the moderator Dissolved said meeting

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough Old meeting House October  
1760 and Mr. Josiah Wood was Chosen moderator of said meeting  
14 at said meeting Voted to Raise £50-0-0 Lawfull money by way  
of Tax or assessment on the polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of said  
Town, To Defray the Charges arising in said Town, and the Expenses  
are hereby Impaired and Directed to order & Directed to several  
Constables of said Town. To pay the aforesaid £50 - and the  
£50 that was voted to be Raised in manner as aforesaid) September  
for the Support of Schools in the Town. Treasurer by the last day  
of March next

24 at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Clerk Briggs Constable twelve Shillings  
out of the Town Treasurer for his carrying Robert Rich out of this Town  
To Rochester

34 at said meeting Voted that the aforesaid £50 that was voted there by  
on September last for the Support of Schools shall be paid for the prop-  
oses aforesaid by order of the Select men

and then the moderator Dissolved said meeting



(135)  
At a Town meeting held at the new meeting House in the  
First Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 19 day of December  
1760 and Stephen Macomber and William Hastings were appointed  
as the Jury directed by Drawing out of the Box to serve on the Jury of  
Trials at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at  
Blimouth on the first Tuesday of January next.

- At a Town meeting held at the new meeting House in the first  
Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 12 day of January  
1761 and m<sup>r</sup>. John Miller was chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting  
and then voted to adjourn said meeting Concordably to the Coups  
of Capt. Ebenezer Drown  
Then that according to adjournment and the mod<sup>r</sup>. took his  
Place and putt the following votes (viz)
- 1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted that £40 of the £50 that was voted the  
12<sup>th</sup> of September last putt for the support of Schools shall be  
Equally Divided in the four Constables Districts in D. Town  
for the support of English Schools
  - 2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of St. Thomas Nelson  
and he is hereby Impowered to receive of the Town Treasurers  
£40 being the amount of the aforesaid £40 for the use of the  
School District in D. Town and to be appropriated to the use of an  
English School to be built agreeable to the vote of said District and  
St. Thomas Nelson is hereby Impowered to notify to the District to  
meet together in Order to build said School as they shall see  
proper
  - 3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Wood for  
Westport District, and m<sup>r</sup>. Caleb Tomson for the East District  
and Geo<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin White for the north west Precinct and  
they to be Impowered in all respects as St. Thomas Nelson is  
relating to the district that he has the care of
  - 4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Thomas Randon  
of the Town Treasurers £1.16.0 for his keeping a Cow for the  
1.16.0. Town and who is a Town Charge from December the 5. of  
to may the 19
  - 5<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay twelve Shilling, which  
pence is to Henry Stoner out off the Town Treasurers for one day  
laying out high ways and for paying for recording one warrant  
0.12.5.1/2 and for the Remittance of Several Rates in the year of 1763
- Then the mod<sup>r</sup>. Dissolv<sup>d</sup> said meeting

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough March 16. 1761 and  
Daniel Amory & Nathaniel Southworth were chosen to serve on  
the Grand Jury for the County of Blimouth and John Briggs  
Jesse Tappan & John Shaw were appointed as the Jury directed  
by drawing out of the Box to serve on the Jury of Trials at  
the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at  
Blimouth within the County of Blimouth on the first Tuesday  
day of April next.



- At a meeting held by the inhabitants of the Town of Middlebury the proposition meeting place in the East Church in said Town on Monday March 16: 1781 for the choice of Town officers and other business inserted in the warrant for said meeting: and Robert Oliver Esq. was chosen moderator of said meeting, and then provided and gave the following vote (vizt)
- 1<sup>ly</sup> Voted and made choice of Joseph Finkham for Town Clerk
- 2<sup>ly</sup> Voted Thomas Nelson  
W<sup>m</sup> John Montgomery  
W<sup>m</sup> Henry Thomas  
Lieut Benjamin White  
W<sup>m</sup> Joshua Wood } Were Chosen Select men
- 3<sup>ly</sup> Voted Joseph Finkham  
Jacob Bennett &  
Rebuben Leonard } Were Chosen Assessors
- 4<sup>ly</sup> Voted John Sampson Chosen Town Treasurer
- 5<sup>ly</sup> Voted Deacon Benjamin Fisher  
Joseph Finkham  
David Allen  
John Montgomery  
W<sup>m</sup> Thomas Nelson } Wardens  
to wit Ben Benjamin Fisher  
Joseph Finkham for the first  
precinct in Middlebury and at  
Middlebury for select precinct at  
Middlebury for the next  
precinct in said Town
- 6<sup>ly</sup> Voted Cornelius Bennett  
Hazen Burinton  
Elisha Keene &  
Woodard Finkham } Were Chosen Constables
- 7<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted and made choice of Joseph Lovel,  
Joshua Benson, James Cobb, Jeremiah Finkham, Benjamin  
Warren, Benjamin Harkett, Lt John Weston Jr, Thomas  
Ellis, John Morton, Nathaniel Sampson, Maheshai Hurd  
Isaac Keene, Phillip Leonard, Ebenezer Cobb, Joseph  
Rhiney Surveyors of high ways: and also Edmund Ware  
Nathaniel Smith & Abimeah Pratt Surveyors of  
the new high ways duly laid out
- 8<sup>ly</sup> Voted Sampson  
Joseph Bates Junior  
William Smith } System men

- 9<sup>ly</sup> Voted Zechariah Naddock Chosen Deacon of Church
- 10<sup>ly</sup> Voted William Canby  
Nathan Thomas  
Benjamin Raymond  
James Raymond } Chosen hog Reeves
- 11<sup>ly</sup> Voted Ezra Clark  
Thomas Cole  
John Richmond } Chosen Drivers
- 12<sup>ly</sup> Voted Jonathan Rayson } Chosen to the due observance of the  
& Perez Churchhill } Town Law relating to killing deer
- 13<sup>ly</sup> Voted Nathaniel Briggs } Chosen to the due observance of the Town  
& John Canby } Law relating to horses going on the Commons
- 14<sup>ly</sup> Voted Jeremiah Howland  
Charles Ellis  
David Sears  
Ephraim Mayhew } Chosen fence Viewers
- 15<sup>ly</sup> Voted and accepted of a Road laid out through the Land of  
Joseph Finkham & Samuel Fuller and Recorded in the  
Select mens book folo 71
- 16<sup>ly</sup> Voted and accepted of a Road laid out from west of Joanna Camp  
to the old Road Recorded in the Select mens book folo 72
- 17<sup>ly</sup> Voted and accepted of a Road laid out through W<sup>m</sup> Gabel Eddy's Land  
provided the proprietors for said Road do make up and maintain  
a fence each side of said Road: and that the Town be at no  
charge in purchasing the Land for said Road and Recorded in  
the Select mens book folo 73
- 18<sup>ly</sup> Voted and accepted of a Road laid out upon the request of John Miller  
and others Recorded in the Select mens book folo 74
- 19<sup>ly</sup> Voted and accepted of a Road laid out upon the request of William  
Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> and others and Recorded in the Select mens  
book folo 75 & 76  
and also Voted that the above said Roads were accepted provided  
the Town were at no cost in buying the Land or any part  
thereof where said Roads are laid out



(138) Middleborough March 20<sup>th</sup> 1766

20<sup>th</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow and pay Jacob Bayard one pound five Shillings & four pence out of the Town Treasurers for his Service in making Rates in the year 1765

21<sup>st</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow and pay Mr. Thomas Nelson thirteen Shillings and four pence out of the Town Treasurers for his Service in making Rates in the year 1765

22<sup>nd</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay Mr. John Tompson one pound out of the Town Treasurers for his Service in serving as Town Treasurer for the year 1765

23<sup>rd</sup> At said meeting Voted Liberty for the taking the fifth calced Mares this Spring as they go up to Capt. Thos. Spauld at the place in a swampy brook (called Nathaniel Smiths place) and at no other place

24<sup>th</sup> At said meeting Voted to Remitt one part Tax of Nathaniel Jacksons Rolt being 17/9 and let the said Nathaniel to his full share paid to him out of the Town Treasurers

25<sup>th</sup> At said meeting Voted and made Choice of John Tompson Joseph Sinkham and William Cushman for Com<sup>rs</sup> to examine the accounts of the wid<sup>d</sup> Joanna Harlow Relating the small pox and Report at the next Town meeting

and then the mod<sup>d</sup> dismissed said meeting

Middleborough May 20<sup>th</sup> 1766

We the Subscribers fence Viewers for the Town of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth & Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England, upon the Complaint of William Harlow of Middleborough aforesaid, and having given said Leonard timely Notice to attend, Both Parties personally appeared & after View<sup>d</sup> the fences and measuring the distance where they now goyn have & do by these Presents assigne & Determine that the said Harlow should Make & keep in Repair all the Northernly Part forty two Rods from the South of the fall Brook so called unto a Stake set in an old Swamp something The Supposed Range, or if it goes further East or West the same Distance from the brook, and the said Leonard to build and Repair all the Southernly part being about 81 Rods of upland as must be given under our hands the Date above said

and Leonards fence not being made according to Law was notify<sup>d</sup> and Weren to Repair the same accordingly

Nathaniel Smith  
Samuel Shacher

fence Viewers



134 / Middleborough March 27. 1764

Articles of an agreement made & concluded upon this twenty seventh day of March 1764 between Eleazer Pratt of Middleborough in the County of Plymouth, on the one part & Benjamin Warren of said Middleborough on the other part in witness whereof that the said Eleazer Pratt by these presents binds himself his heirs and assigns for ever unto the said Benjamin Warren and to his heirs & assigns to make up and maintain the fence between us the said Eleazer Pratt & Benjamin Warren in the following Division (viz) beginning at a Stone set in or near the Range of the Seventh & Eighth Lots of Land or homestead farms whereon the said Eleazer Pratt and Benjamin Warren now dwell, being the Corner bound of Joseph Warren's Land from thence Easterly as the Range now goes between said Lots forty two pole & six feet: and the said Benjamin Warren by these presents binds himself his heirs & assigns to the said Eleazer Pratt and his heirs & assigns to make up and maintain the fence between the aforesaid 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Lots or homestead (viz) beginning at the End of the aforesaid 42 pole & six feet and thence Easterly forty six pole until it comes to the Country Road. in witness whereof we the aforesaid Eleazer Pratt and Benjamin Warren have hereunto set our hands and seals the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed & Delivered  
In the presence of  
Joseph Simkham  
Michael Simkham

Eleazer Pratt (S)  
Benjamin Warren (S)

At a Town & Town meeting Held at Middleborough on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1764 and Ephraim Wood & Daniel Benjamin White & John on the Grand Jury: and Samuel Benson & Nathaniel Wood were appointed by Drawing out of the Box by the said Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of General Goal Delivery to be holden at Plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of April next.

At a Town meeting Held at the proprietors meeting House within the first precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1764 and Lt Thomas Nelson was chosen road for said

169 At said meeting Voted and made Choice of Nathan Haskings to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of Elipha Trice who Refuses to serve: as also made Choice of Coombs Barrow to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of Mr. Corriell Barrow who Refuses to serve

269 At said meeting Voted not to prosecute Mr. Cornelius Bennett and Mr. Elipha Trice for their not serving as Constables

369 At said meeting Voted to allow and pay Joseph Simkham £1:11:8 out of the Town Treasurer for his services in making Aides in the year 1763



46y At said meeting voted that the assessors defend the Town in the Best manner on the Towns Coft in answer to the Citation made out against them by Frankly Miller he Complaining to the Sessions of the being wrongfully Rated

At a town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House within the first Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18 Day of May 1764 and Capt. Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen to serve for and Represent the Town at the Great & General Court or Assembly to be held and kept for his majestys Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 22 Day of May Instant: and so during their Session and Sessions of P. Court

At a town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House within the first Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18 Day of May 1764 and m<sup>r</sup> Jehu was Chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting

16y at said meeting Voted and made Choice of Thomas Pelly to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of Isaac Tucker who was Chosen Constable of March & June Precett

26y at said meeting Voted and made Choice of William Haskings to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of Nathan Haskings who Refuses to serve

36y at P. meeting the Town Voted and accepted of Abner Benson to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of Combs Barrows who was Chosen in that office and lived the P. Abner to serve in his Room provided the Town should accept of the said Abner

46y at P. meeting Voted to Remitt one poll Tax of Gershom Cobb Jun<sup>r</sup> being 1/9 in Clearer Throat Rate bill: and the P. Clearer having the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

56y at said meeting Voted to Remitt one poll Tax of David Miller being 6:18:4 in Daniel Vaughan's Rate bill: and the P. Daniel to leave the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

\* and also at P. meeting Voted to Remitt one of David Millers poll Tax in Clearer Throat Rate bill: It being 17/9 and the said David to leave the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

66y at said meeting Voted to Remitt one of Nathaniel Conch poll Tax in Samuel Raymonds Rate Bill: being 17/9 and the said Samuel to leave the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

76y at said meeting Voted to Remitt one poll Tax of John Jackson being 17/9 in Clearer Throat Rate bill: and the said Jackson to leave the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

86y at said meeting Voted to Remitt one of Thomas Spooners (Deceased) poll Tax in Daniel Vaughan's Rate Bill: and the said Daniel to leave the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

96y at said meeting Voted to allow and pay the wife Joanna Harlow out of the Town Treasurer two pounds Eleven Shillings lawfull money it being 9/ Short of the Report of a Com<sup>r</sup> that was Chosen Left march to Examine the P. and H. Harlow account which said 9/ Lt Nelson Finney promised to pay the P. Joanna provided the said Joanna should accept of the same in full for the Damages she digested sustained by Lt. Lt. Finney and the millen Children having the small pox in her house in the year 1758 & 1759

At a town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House within the first Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 22 Day of June 1764 and Nathaniel Briggs was appointed as the Law Directs by Drawing out of the Box to choose on the Jury of Trials at the next P. Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth on the first Day of July next

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House within the first Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 28 Day of July 1764 and Lieut. Thomas Nelson was Chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting

16y at said meeting Voted & made Choice of Nathaniel Briggs to serve Constable in the Room & stead of William Haskings who was Chosen in the Room & stead of John Haskings who was Chosen in the Room & stead of John Haskings who was Chosen Constable Left march and he and they stepped to serve

26y at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Joseph Cutham on Town Treasurer £ 2 = 4 = 8 for his Service in taking in the year 1764

36y at said meeting Voted to allow and pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Pelly the Town Treasurer £ 4 = 8 = 0 for his Service in the valuation in the year 1764

46y at said meeting Voted to allow m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Bennett Town Treasurer £ 4 = 10 = 0 for the Service in the valuation in the year 1764

56y at said meeting Voted to allow & pay the wife Mary of the Town Treasurer the whole of the poll Tax paid for her Son Ephraim Deceased in the year of 1764

66y at said meeting Voted to Raise £ 50 = 0 = 0 L. m. apportionment on the polls & Rates of the Inhabitants of P. Town of Middleborough for the Defraying of







Articles of an agreement made and limited upon this ninth day of the  
year between Ebenezer Frost of Middleborough in the County of Dukes  
the one part and Joseph Warren of Middleborough the other  
on the other part Intersett that the said Ebenezer Frost doth bind  
these presents bind himself his heirs and assigns for ever and  
Joseph Warren & to his heirs & assigns to make up and maintain  
the fence between us the said Ebenezer & Joseph in the following  
Ditch (viz) beginning at a long stone set in the ground in the  
Range between the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> hundred acre lots now owned by the said  
Ebenezer and Benjamin Warren of Middleborough and is the town  
bound of the Ditch of fences heretofore made between the said Ebenezer  
and Benjamin and from said stone westerly as the Range now goes  
between us the said Ebenezer & Joseph forty five pole & six feet to a  
heap of stones in said Range; and the said Joseph Warren doth by these  
presents bind himself his heirs and assigns to the said Ebenezer Frost  
and to his heirs & assigns to make up and maintain the fence be-  
tween us in the aforesaid line beginning at the aforesaid heap of stones  
from thence in the line forty pole and six feet untill it comes  
to the River. In witness whereof we the aforesaid Ebenezer  
Frost & Joseph Warren have hereunto set our hands and seals the  
Day and year above written  
Signed, sealed & Delivered  
In presence of  
Joseph Cushman  
Joseph Finkham

Ebenezer Frost  
Joseph Warren

- There I published a purpose of marriage between Sarah Ann Finkham  
and William Dunham of Duxbury; as also a purpose of marriage between  
Jesse Thomas & Abigail Thomas both of Middleborough  
J. Joseph Finkham
- Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1764 I am I published a purpose of marriage between Jacob Westcott of  
Middleborough & Mary Frost of Bridgewater J. Joseph Finkham
- Nov<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1764 I am I published a purpose of marriage between Mephsam of  
Middleborough and Lydia Westcott of Bridgewater J. Joseph Finkham
- Decemb<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1764 I am I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Finkham  
and Anne Smith both of Middleborough J. Joseph Finkham
- Decemb<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1764 I am I published a purpose of marriage between John Thomas  
and Faith Benson both of Middleborough J. Joseph Finkham
- Jan<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1765 I am I published a purpose of marriage between Bina of Duxbury  
and Joseph Finkham both of Middleborough as also between Isaac Richmond  
of Duxbury & Mary Finkham of Middleborough as also between  
David Vaughan of Middleborough and Abigail Westcott of Middleborough  
J. Joseph Finkham



To the Town Clerk of Middleborough  
 His acts certify that Peter Brought and Lucia Foster both of Middleborough  
 have witnessed the marriage Covenant according to Law before me  
 1900 in  
 Middleborough  
 James Rogers Per

James Joseph Hall published a paper of marriage between the late John  
Conant of Andover and Miss Sarah Bethune of Boston  
D. Joseph Hall Jan 9.

Joseph I then published a passport of marriage between Mr. Robert Keyser  
of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup> Catharine Sweet of Boston

When I published a notice of marriage between Peter and Lucia, I was told that they were not yet married.

October 11<sup>th</sup> 1876. This pamphlet is moving a Librarian. Boston. A copy of the same is sent to the Librarian of the Boston Public Library. I have sent a copy of the same to the Librarian of the Boston Public Library. I have sent a copy of the same to the Librarian of the Boston Public Library.

Nov. 1876. Then I published a marriage of Betty Warren with a man from Middlebury, N. H.

Decem<sup>r</sup> 1790 then I published a paper of marriage between the  
Baptist ch<sup>h</sup> at Middleburgh & Joseph Smith



At a Town Meeting held at the proprietors meeting the  
first session in middletborough on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of  
1762 and Nathaniel Bumpus and Samuel Shaw were chosen  
on the grand jury for the year 1762 and George Smith  
Richmond & Kellish were appointed by a reading  
Box as the law directs to serve on the jury of District  
Inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden at place  
and for the County of Alimouth on the first Tuesday  
next

Joseph Smith  
Benjamin White  
John Wood  
James Shaw  
Capt. Nathaniel Smith  
William Harlowe } Were chosen select men

Mr John Jackson was Clerk & Town Treasurer.

*George Shaw Junr.  
William Landry  
David Loomis  
Isaac Perkins Bernard*



2nd. The names of John Thomas, James  
William Lyon, Mathias Ellis, Charles Barrows,  
George Smith, Shadrach Paine, Capt. Joseph  
Samuel Smith, Nathan Haskings, William H.  
John, Father for Sonnyes of high wages

At said meeting voted to admit 1877 Robt. Elijah White  
Benjamin Rogers Robt. Little and the said Benjamin to have  
with the same Treasurer

1840 copy of said meeting held in school and pay \$20.00 to Leonard &  
John Treasurers for his service in making said copy.

12/16 at a meeting voted to allow and pay for the same.  
10:30 at a meeting voted to allow and pay for the same.  
10:30 at a meeting voted to allow and pay for the same.

2<sup>d</sup> at last meeting voted to remit 17/9 that Rowland  
in Samuel Raymond had built a, age 17/9 that George  
1:15. 6<sup>th</sup> in D. Bells and the said Samuel to have the same 2  
own successors

at said meeting voted Liberty to Capt. H. Adams & Smith  
a dam across Narragansett River between the lands of  
Rhodolphus Jones & Leheah Bandow in order for

meeting of John Cobb - noticed Smith's <sup>own</sup> note and the furnished  
two years from this date March 18<sup>th</sup> 62  
Not said meeting noted and awarded as a Good Lord and his

26 March 4. 1798 at the Request of Josiah Freeman and  
Select men book file  
to bid meeting at 10 o'clock

at the meeting and accepted of a loan of \$1000  
March 10: 1872 at the request of A. Fairbanks and  
in the latest man's book 1870

P6 at said meeting voted and accepted of a Road Map of  
February 18<sup>th</sup> 1762 at the Request of Capt. Jonathan Smith  
Recorded in the Select mens book 106

27<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to elect and pay John Thompson out of the Town Treasurer for his term as Treasurer.

28<sup>th</sup> on a motion made and Seconded Voted to adjourn  
to may<sup>not</sup> be held on the same day the meeting is  
a Revolutionary I believe

said meeting to be adjourned to that time.

at a town meeting held at the proprietors meeting  
The Vest. Precinct in Middleborough on Monday  
April 1768 and Ephraim Wood and William C.

to look on the Grand Jury and Thomas Watson &  
were appointed as the Law Directors by drawing upon  
one the Jury of Jurats at the next Superior Court.

General Good Delivery to be taken at Shiloh  
The County of Shiloh on the 15th P. Day

Were chosen Telling men

English Book was chosen Sec'd of Letter

Were Chosen by Reeves

Were chosen fire drivers

James H. Hanson was chosen to the due observance of  
 James H. Hanson. The province Law Relating to the killing of

... Jay's name chosen to the due observance of the  
... Province Law relating to going on the loan

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James Leonard &  
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Johna Wood - - - - - See Balle accounts with the Town  
the Town and make Report there to

to remit the whole of George. Haywards del  
Thomas Rogers & Co Bills being £0:14:0 and the said Thomas to  
the same, and to him out of the same Treasury

1. 3. 7 that Josiah Brayman was Roted in Suffolk  
that Peter Reed was in L. Bells and the said  
Suffolk have the same difference to be made.

Adm. meeting held on 11/9 that Richard Raymond was elected  
President. Smith took bills and also 1/12 that he was elected

to Chamber to have the



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accounts as follows Said Joseph has received of the donors  
 of the same March 14. 1797 the sum of £ 373:0:7 1/4 as also  
 £ 4:12:0 3/4 in funds, as also the sum of £ 15:0:0 of Samuel Mason  
 on behalf of Benjamin Allen Said sums amounting in the whole  
 to £ 392:12:8 and paid out by order of said Town  
 the sum of £ 402:12:5 and there remains due to said Joseph  
 the sum of £ 9:19:9

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	John Leonard	1-3-0
	Samuel Bryant	1-6-0
1758	John Moody	0-10-8
1759	Benjamin Roman	13-13-7
	John Jackson	11-19-0
	Samuel Briggs	23-3-11
	Thomas Smith	20-2-8
1760	Samuel Raymond	20-8-6
	Nathaniel Briggs	34-9-4
1761	Roman Ellis	26-9-7
	Herschel Smith	26-8-7
	Abner Barrow	22-14-6

Total at Middleborough  
Septem<sup>r</sup> 27: 1762

Isabel Wood } Committee  
Joseph Finkham }

4ly at said meeting voted to raise fifty pounds loaned in by tax or assessment on the polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of said town and paid into the Treasurer of said town in full to Defray the Charges of said town arising within the year

5ly at said meeting voted to Rate 60 L<sup>s</sup> 10<sup>s</sup> by Tax on the polls & Estates of the Inhabitants of said town be ordered into the Treasurer for the support of English School for the year ensuing and said money to be Equally Divided among four Constable Districts in said town, and to be Disposed in such manner as any of said District shall see fit for the purpose aforesaid

6ly at said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson and he is hereby Impowered to receive of the Town Treasurer 25 L<sup>s</sup> being the Quarter part of the aforesaid 100 L<sup>s</sup> for the use of the North District in said town to be appropriated to the use of an English School or Schools in said District according as said District shall order and Vote, and said Tompson is hereby Impowered to notify said District to meet together in order for the Disbursement of said School or Schools as they shall then be Cause

and m<sup>r</sup> Debra Leonard Chap<sup>n</sup> to receive of the Treasurer of said town 15 L<sup>s</sup> being the Quarter part of the aforesaid 100 L<sup>s</sup> for the use of the North District and to do & order in the same form & manner as m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson is to order

and m<sup>r</sup> William Harlow Chap<sup>n</sup> to receive of the Treasurer of said town 15 L<sup>s</sup> for the use of the South District and with the same power to manage said affair as m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson has

and m<sup>r</sup> Benjamin White Chap<sup>n</sup> to receive of the Treasurer of said town 15 L<sup>s</sup> for the use of the North District in said town for an English School or Schools and with the same power to manage said affair as is voted to m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson

7ly at said meeting voted to allow and pay to m<sup>r</sup> Simeon Norton out of the town Treasurer 18/4 for his service in carrying one John Bonnet a Transient person out of town three times and finding the said John a horse to ride every time & Expenses and cost of supplying the warrants

8ly at said meeting voted to allow and pay Joseph Finkham 4/6 out of the town Treasurer for money he paid for the use of the town and warrant to carry one John Bonnet Transient person out of town

9ly at said meeting voted to allow and pay m<sup>r</sup> Abel Leach 5/4 out of the town Treasurer for his keeping a Child of Joseph Richards & weekly order of the select men

10 at said meeting to allow and pay m<sup>r</sup> Isabel Wood 4/6 out of the town Treasurer for his service he did the town as set forth in his account

11 at said meeting voted to Remit 18/11 to that Abel Holbeck and James Hathaway was Rated in Nathaniel Briggs Rate bills as off voted to Remit 11/11 that the wid<sup>d</sup> Hannah Booth was in said bills and the sd Briggs to have the same Discounted with the town Treasurer

12 on a motion made and second put to vote whether the town will reconsider their vote wherein was voted that Capt. Nathaniel Smith and others should of erecting a Dam across somewhat River &c and it pass in the negative

and then the meeting was Dissolved  
attest Joseph Finkham English



at a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the East precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1762 and Samuel Hollobay & William Smith were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the next Superior Court of Common Pleas next to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday January next

at a meeting held at the proprietors meeting house with the first in Middleborough on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1763 and John Aden & Nathaniel Sampson were chosen to serve on the Grand Jury for the year and William Strobridge & Thomas Dagget & Peter Churton were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Superior Court of Common Pleas next to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of April next

at 10<sup>th</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clk.

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in the first precinct in the Town of Middleborough for the choice of Town Officer and other business contained in the warrant on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March Annague Dominici 1763 and the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Peter Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen moderator of said meeting

1<sup>st</sup>ly at said meeting voted & made choice of Joseph Finkham for Town Clerk

2<sup>nd</sup>ly at said meeting voted & made choice of  
 Lieut<sup>th</sup> Thomas Nelson  
 Lieut<sup>th</sup> Benjamin White  
 m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Wood  
 William Strobridge  
 Capt<sup>th</sup> Gideon Southworth  
 } were chosen Select men

3<sup>rd</sup>ly Lieut<sup>th</sup> Thomas Nelson  
 Jos<sup>th</sup> Bennett  
 Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup>  
 } were chosen Assessors

4<sup>th</sup>ly m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson was chosen Town Treasurer  
 m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson  
 Henry Strobridge  
 Robert Hogg  
 Barnabas Selan  
 Benjamin Thomas  
 Caleb Benson  
 } were chosen Wardens

5<sup>th</sup>ly Samuel Ransom  
 Zechariah Paddock  
 Ezra Muxum  
 Abraham Shaw  
 } were chosen Constables

6<sup>th</sup>ly Joseph Lovel, John Benson, Francis Tompson, Jeremiah Finkham, Cap<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Ash, Samuel Richard, John Cole, Edward Walkburn, Benjamin Babbitt, William Strobridge Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Warren, William Shaw, John Southworth, Joseph Thomas, Cap<sup>t</sup> Gideon Southworth, Samuel Selan, John Briggs, Silas Wood, Jeremiah Howland, were chosen Surveyors of High Ways

7<sup>th</sup>ly Ebenezer Hasketh  
 Manoah Benson  
 Benjamin Durphey  
 Moses Wood  
 Samuel Dunham  
 David Aden Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 } were chosen Trymen

8<sup>th</sup>ly m<sup>r</sup> Zechariah Paddock chosen Letter & Sealer

9<sup>th</sup>ly Ebenezer Hasketh  
 Thomas Blackman  
 Joseph Barden  
 Barnabas Raymond  
 James Raymond Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 } were chosen hog-rovers

10<sup>th</sup>ly William Bryant Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Caleb Wood  
 } were chosen to the due observance of the Province Law relating to the holding of the Courts

11<sup>th</sup>ly Arrian Threlker  
 Jonathan Reed  
 } were chosen to the due observance of the Province Law relating to the holding of the Courts

12<sup>th</sup>ly Peter Vaughan  
 Jeremiah Howland  
 Phillips Leonard  
 John Meally  
 } were chosen fence Viewers

13<sup>th</sup>ly William Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> was chosen Surveyor of the Lands

14<sup>th</sup>ly St. Samuel Smith was chosen Surveyor of the Shingelt & Lands

15<sup>th</sup>ly Josiah Wood was chosen Town Keeper

at said meeting voted and made choice of Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> for an agent to appear at the next Superior Court next holden at Plymouth for the benefit of said Town to appear for the Def<sup>y</sup> of High Ways in said Town



17<sup>th</sup> at said meeting <sup>of the town</sup> voted to allow <sup>to</sup> Jacob Bennett  
 twelve shillings for his service in making of Rates in  
 the year 1762

18<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay Joseph Finkham  
 two pounds twelve shillings & eight pence for his service  
 in making province, County & Town Roads in the year 1762

19<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> John Sampson  
 twenty shillings out of the Town Treasury for his service  
 as Town Treasurer in the year 1762

and then the mod<sup>r</sup> adjourned said meeting without Day  
 attest Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House in  
 the East Precinct in middletown on the Eleventh Day of April  
 1763 Nehemiah Bennett & Cap<sup>t</sup> Jideon Southworth were  
 chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and Daniel Vaughan &  
 Lt Robert Sprouts were appointed by Drawing oaths of the  
 Box as the Law Directs to serve on the jury of Trials at  
 the next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Oyer  
 and General Goal Delivery next holden at Plymouth  
 within & for the County of Plymouth on the first of  
 the next Tuesday of April next

At a town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House  
 in the East Precinct in middletown on the thirteenth  
 Day of May 1763 and Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprouts was chosen  
 to serve for and represent the Town of middletown  
 at the Great and General Court or assembly to  
 be held and kept for his majestys service at the Court  
 House in Boston on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of May  
 and to during the session and sessions of said Court

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting House  
 in the East Precinct in middletown on the 16<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of May 1763 by the freeholders & other inhabitants  
 of said Town of middletown and made choice of  
 m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson was chosen mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting  
 and then proceeded and past the following votes  
 1<sup>st</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Joseph Finkham  
 for a Constable in the Town and also of Ezra Newell  
 who was chosen Constable and Refused to serve

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- 2<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted and made (Words of Jos. of the  
Siphkam Reg. as an agent for said town, to advertise  
[para. Muxum. (for his Refusing to serve as constable this year)  
at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
next to be held at Plymouth in & for said County of [unclear]  
on the first Tuesday of July next
- 3<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit the whole of Joseph Jones Rate  
in William Landy's Rate bills being 21/6 as also the whole of  
Robert Montgomery Rate & Samuel Spooner Rate being in  
said bills - being 24/2 as also the whole of Joseph [unclear]  
and the whole of Abigail Jones Rate in said bills being 24/2  
as also one full tax that Andrew Jackson was Rate in [unclear]  
being 12/1 and the said Landy to have the same Discontinued  
with the Town Treasurer
- 4<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit the whole of Joseph  
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and the whole of Samuel Asbury Rate who was Rate in  
11/12:11 Nathaniel Briggs Rate bills the whole being 21/12:11  
and the said Briggs to have the same Discontinued with the  
Town Treasurer
- 5<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit 6/1 that William Bryant  
was Rate in [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] as for a Rate to Remit  
12/1 that [unclear] [unclear] was Rate in said bills and the said  
[unclear] to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer
- 6<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit 12/1 that Samuel Latham  
was Rate in David Simmons Rate Bills and the said [unclear]  
to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer
- 7<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit 12/1 that David Miller  
was Rate in [unclear] [unclear] Rate Bills and the  
[unclear] to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer
- 8<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit 28/4 to that John [unclear]  
was Rate in Herkiah Furrington Rate Bills and the said [unclear]  
Herkiah to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer
- 9<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting voted to Remit 12/1 that Herkiah  
Furrington was Rate in John [unclear] Rate Bills and the said John  
[unclear] to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer

Then the moderator [unclear] the meeting  
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8ly sh said meeting voted to dismiss 1794 that Nathaniel Cole was sent to  
John Buchanan for both bills as also voted to dismiss 1794 that Hannah  
was taken in by Smith and her daug Jones so have the same

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at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house  
in the first Meeting in middleborough, on monday the twelveth  
day of December 1763 Nathaniel Smith jun<sup>r</sup> & Jedediah Thompson  
were appointed by Drawing out of the Box at the Towns meeting to  
serve on the Jury of Trials at the Next Quarter Court of  
Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within and for the  
County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of January Next

at a Town meeting held in afternoon at the Proprietors meetings  
in Middleborough on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1868 and  
the moderator took his place and read the following Order (viz):

at said meeting voted to Remitt the whole of Thomas Bards  
~~to him~~ State in William Landys State Bills being £ 110 2 and  
 the said Thomas to have the same ~~to him~~ with paid  
 to him out of the Town Treasurers

at said meeting voted to Remitt 15/4 to the Salomon's Bank  
was voted in Honor Barrow's Rate 1/4 and the said Honor  
to have the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

34y At Said meeting voted to Remit the whole of George  
Sampson's Rate in John Lambham's Rate Bills being £1.13s.2.  
and the said John to have the same Discounted with the same.  
Executives

464 at said meeting voted to allow and pay m<sup>r</sup> Zacheriah Rodak  
five shillings out of the Town Treasurers said being money  
to said 464 for his 10 thousand and 1000000

54 re. sayd. out for to by instruments to be written with  
at said meeting voted and passed of the aforesaid that in the said  
Hood one of the Committee empowered by said Town to dispose of  
the money raised by St. James for the support of an English School to be kept  
in the South East Corner in said Town the and is as follows  
received of said Town. £ 25.0.0

paid to Ebenezer Thomas	3-4-78
paid to Ebenezer Thomas	1-4-88
paid to Edmond wood	2-7-7



Paid to Jacob Beane  
 Paid to Samuel Benson  
 Paid to Susanna Wood  
 Paid to Benora Lacey  
 Paid to Jacob Beane  
 Paid to Joseph Lovell

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 1:14:7  
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at said meeting voted and accepted of St Thomas Nelson  
 account of the money he has received of said Town for  
 the support of an English School kept in the wgh District in  
 said Town which are as followeth (viz)

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1761 Then paid to Elizabeth Durphay £ 1:13:4  
 June 7<sup>th</sup> 1761 Then paid to Elizabeth Durphay 1:13:4  
 Sep<sup>r</sup> 21 Then paid to John Soutgarnery by order of manifestos School Mistress 1:13:4  
 October 18 Then paid to Dr Mark Haskell 0:15:4  
 Nov<sup>r</sup> 16 Then paid to Martha Beane by order of Gideon Southworth 1:13:4  
 Sep<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1761 Then paid to Deborah Leonard 1:13:4  
 Sep<sup>r</sup> 24 Then paid to Charity Nelson 18:0  
 June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1763 Then paid to Charity Nelson 20:0  
 24 Then paid to William Strobridge 2:4:8  
 29 Then paid to John Mealy 3:0:4  
 Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1763 Then paid to Mary Sears 2:10:0  
 June 27 Then paid to Elkanah Pierce 2:5:0  
 Decem<sup>r</sup> 12 1763 Then paid to Capt Gideon Southworth 3:0:0  
 Thomas Nelson £25:0:0

At said meeting voted & accepted of John Caledon  
 and of the money he has received of said Town for the support  
 of an English School kept in the North East District in  
 said Town which are as followeth (viz)

Sep<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1761 Then paid to Capt Samuel Drachen £ 2:0:0  
 Oct<sup>r</sup> 16 Then paid to William Lufman 2:0:0  
 Sep<sup>r</sup> 24 Then paid to Benjamin Smith 2:0:0  
 27 Then paid to Daniel Dunham 2:0:0  
 28 Then paid to Capt Benjamin Trath 2:0:0  
 Oct<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1761 Then paid to William Lufman 3:0:0  
 Oct<sup>r</sup> 26 Then paid to Daniel Dunham 3:0:0  
 Novem<sup>r</sup> 1 Then paid to Capt Benjamin Trath 3:0:0  
 27 Then paid to Benjamin Trath 3:0:0  
 Decem<sup>r</sup> 12 1763 Then paid to Benjamin Smith 3:0:0  
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8<sup>ly</sup> Barzillak Thomas  
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 } Were Chosen, Tithing men

9<sup>th</sup> Zechariah Paddock was Chosen Sealer of Letter

10<sup>ly</sup> Samuel Hayford  
 Barnabas Sampson  
 Samuel Warren  
 Benjamin Raymond  
 Rehuel Raymond  
 } were Chosen Hay Rovers

11<sup>ly</sup> Lemuel Bryant  
 Elhanah Shaw jun.  
 } were Chosen Deer Rovers

12<sup>ly</sup> Henry Leonard &  
 William Macomber  
 } were Chosen to receive observation  
 of the Province Law Relating to 160<sup>th</sup>  
 going on the Commons

13<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Vaughan  
 George Williams  
 Gershom Richmond  
 Ephraim Reynolds  
 } Were Chosen Free Viewers

14<sup>ly</sup> William Thomas Junr 16<sup>th</sup> Chosen Surveyor of w<sup>th</sup>  
 and T<sup>th</sup>

15<sup>ly</sup> Samuel Smith was Chosen a Surveyor of Streets &  
 T<sup>th</sup>

16<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Wood was Chosen Pound keeper

17<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Sinkham, John Miller & Joseph Bates jun.  
 was Chosen to examine the accounts brought in against the  
 Town in m<sup>th</sup>ing & providing for Abner Capwell's Tax  
 when sick with the small pox and make Report there

18<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Joseph Sinkham  
 10<sup>ly</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 0 out of the Town Treasurer 2:13:0 for his making the  
 in the year 763 and for finding the paper for the same

19<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Jacob Bonner  
 10<sup>ly</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 0 sixteen shillings out of the Town Treasurer for his  
 making Rates for the year 763

20<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay m<sup>th</sup> Thomas  
 10<sup>ly</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 8 for making Rates in the year 763 and 768  
 that for one day laying out highways

21<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay m<sup>th</sup> John Hall  
 0<sup>ly</sup> 2<sup>ly</sup> 8 The Town Treasurer 2/8 for laying out of highways

22<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay 2/8 to John Southworth  
 0<sup>ly</sup> 2<sup>ly</sup> 8 out of the Town Treasurer 2/8 for laying out highways

23<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to m<sup>th</sup> Zechariah Leonard  
 0<sup>ly</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 8 out of the Town Treasurer 10/8 for his making Rates in  
 the year 762

24<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt £1:18:7 that John Hall  
 was rated in John Sinkham's Rate 1/8 and 1/8 that John  
 24<sup>ly</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 8 This was Rated in said 1/8 and the said John Sinkham  
 to have the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

25<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 1/9 that Jacob Sinkham  
 was Rated in Ebenezer Briggs Rate 1/8 and the said Briggs  
 25<sup>ly</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 9 to have the same paid to him out of the Town Treasurer

26<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to William Reid  
 0<sup>ly</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1 12<sup>th</sup> out of the Town Treasurer 12<sup>th</sup> being a Remittance of a  
 10<sup>ly</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1 12<sup>th</sup> 1/2 that he was over Rated in the year 762

27<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 11/11 that Abraham Bond  
 was Rated in Thomas Elks Rate 1/8 and the said Thomas  
 27<sup>ly</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 11 to have the same Discounted with the Town Treasurer

28<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay to Capt. Benjamin  
 Pratt 1:15:0 out of the Town Treasurer for plank  
 28<sup>ly</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 6 1/2 and Laying of plank, and 1/2 pikes he used in Repering  
 wood work bridge with  
 Then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the ninth  
 Day of April next at one of the Clock in the after noon

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House within the  
 first precinct in Middleborough on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1764  
 Paddock were Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and Zechariah  
 and Jacob Bonner were appointed by Drawing out of the Boxes  
 as the Law Directs to serve on that Jury of Trials at the  
 Superior Court of Judicature Court of assize and General Gaol  
 Delivery Next holden at Nantucket on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of April  
 1764

at a Town meeting held by adjournment at the Proprietors  
 Meeting House in the first precinct in Middleborough on the  
 ninth Day of April 1764 and the moderator being absent  
 the Town proceeded and made Choice of Capt. Ebenezer  
 Swarth for the mod<sup>r</sup> of said meeting then the Town proceed  
 and pass the following votes

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and Granted Eliza Stone from serving as  
 Constable for this present year was chosen in the 12<sup>th</sup> of March  
 in that office

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made Choice of John N. Stone to  
 be Constable in the Town & Ward of Southwold which is the same



Plimouth f. Middleborough, March 14: 1787  
 To the Town Clerk of Middleborough  
 This Certifies That on the day of the above date The following persons took  
 the oaths of the respective Offices annexed to their names (for the year ensuing)  
 in the above Town (viz)

Joseph Finkham } Clerk  
 Thomas Nelson } assessor  
 Joseph Finkham }  
 John Tompson }  
 John Tompson. Treasurer  
 Thomas Tupper Constable  
 Caleb Tompson } Surveyor of Highways  
 John Weston jun. }  
 Micah Bryant }

And they also took the Oath required by Law respecting the bills  
 of Credit of the neighbouring Governments, before me  
 Plimouth f. Peter Oliver Just. ad. Pac.  
 Middleborough, March 14: 1787

This Certifies that this day Joseph Finkham, was sworn into the office  
 of Clerk and assessor of the West precinct in Middleborough, for the  
 ensuing year & also took the Oath required by Law relating to the bills  
 of Credit of the neighbouring Governments before me

Plimouth f. Peter Oliver Just. ad. Pac.  
 Middleborough, March 14: 1787  
 Thomas Nelson, Lin. Miller & John Tompson being chosen select  
 men for the Town for the ensuing year, each of them took the Oath required  
 by Law relating to the bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments before me  
 Peter Oliver Just. ad. Pac.  
 To the Town Clerk of Middleborough

Plimouth f. Middleborough, March 14: 1787  
 This day Seth Tompson took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways for  
 the West precinct; and also took the Oath required by Law relating to the bills  
 of Credit of the neighbouring Governments before me  
 Joseph Finkham Town Clk.

Plimouth f. Middleborough, March 18: 1787  
 This day Elijah Hackett took the Oath of a Surveyor of Highways  
 for the West precinct; and also took the Oath required by Law relating to the  
 bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments before me  
 Joseph Finkham Town Clk.



Plymouth to Middleborough March 19: 1757  
 This day George Swillington took the oath of a highway for the ensuing year; and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth March the 18: 1757  
 Then Joseph Benson of Middleborough personally appeared and took the oath of the preservation of the dear in the Town of Middleborough above said before me Barnabas Shurtliff Justice of Peace

Plymouth to Middleborough April 27: 1757  
 This day Nelson Finney took the oath of a highway for the ensuing year; and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough May 9: 1757  
 This day William Harlow took the oath of a constable for the ensuing year; and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough May 16: 1757 This day Edward Peirce took the oath of a constable for the year ensuing and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough May 18: 1757 This day Joseph Smith being chosen to represent this Town at the State & General Court took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough May 24: 1757 This day William Smith took the oath of a surveyor of high ways within limits in that of the Left March; and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough May 30: 1757 This day John Booth took the oath of a surveyor of high ways within limits in that of the Left March; and also took the oath required by law relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough October 20: 1757  
 This day Francis Purney took the oath of a surveyor of a high way for this present year; and also took the oath relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough Nov 15: 1757 This day Joseph Finney took the oath of a surveyor of high ways within limits in that of the Left March; and also took the oath relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough Jan 21: 1758 This day Henry Stebbins took the oath of a surveyor of high ways within limits in that of the Left March; and also took the oath relating to the bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk

Plymouth to Middleborough March 21: 1758  
 This day Joseph Tinkham was chosen Justice of the Peace for the precinct in the Town of Middleborough above said before me Joseph Tinkham Town Clerk



This day Capt Samuel Nicholas & Lemuel Dunham took the  
Oath of Sovereignty of high ways and the sd Lemuel also took  
the oath of a Justice of the Peace and they also took the Oath  
Required by Law Respecting bills of Credit  
Witness my hand & the Seal of the said County at New Bedford  
this 10th day of May 1780  
John Joseph Dunham J.

Required by Law Reading to bills of credit of the neighboring governments  
 therefore we have been  
 This day Clerk Master took the oath of a Justice of the Peace and  
 was chosen Sept March & all the other following days of the month  
 of November before me Justice of the Peace



MASSACHUSETTS VITAL RECORDS: MIDDLEBOROUGH #69  
TOWN RECORDS & INTENTIONS 1760-1766, dp 166-207 Holbrook



March 10. 1760  
 This day Lieut. Thomas Nelson, Mr. Henry Thomas, Mr. John  
 Montgomery & Mr. J. Chabert were Select men to the oath Required by  
 Law Relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments  
 Plymouth 11. This day the several persons took the oath Required by Law Relating to  
 March 10. 1760 Several Officers  
 Lt. Thomas Nelson } as before  
 Jacob Bennett }  
 Ebenezer Briggs Constable  
 Caleb Tompkins }  
 Nathaniel Burroughs } Surveyors of high ways.  
 Capt. Samuel Walker }  
 Josiah Ayer }  
 Samuel Pratt Field Driver  
 David Timmons to the day appearance of the province Law Relating  
 and also taken the oath Relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring  
 Governments before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 12. This day Ebenezer Pratt took the oath of Constable, as also the  
 March 17. 1760 oath relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments  
 before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 13. This day Lt. Samuel Smith & William Short took the oath of Surveyors  
 of high ways, as also the oath relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments  
 before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 14. Lt. Benjamin White took the oath of Select man  
 This day John Higley took the oath of Constable  
 and Richard Elder took the oath of Field Officer  
 Plymouth 15. This day John Higley took the oath of Surveyors of high ways  
 as also the oath Required by Law Relating to bills of Credit of  
 the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 16. This day Samuel Raymond took the oath of Constable as also the oath  
 Required by Law Relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments  
 before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 17. This day the following persons were Chosen & took the oath  
 relating to their office next to their names  
 Ebenezer Burdett Constable  
 Zachariah Taddack Dealer of Letters  
 Lt. John Weston J. Surveyors of high ways  
 as also the oath Required by Law relating to bills of Credit of the  
 neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Finkham J. C.  
 Plymouth 18. This day Lt. Benjamin Lusher took the oath of a Warden  
 & John Leonard took the oath of Surveyors of high ways  
 as also the oath Required by Law Relating to bills of Credit of the neighbouring  
 Governments before me Joseph Finkham J. C.



Plimouth: This day Edmund Wood took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

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Plimouth: This day St. Thomas Nelson, Mr. John Montgomerie, & Benjamin White & Mr. Joseph the Elder took the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments as also Mr. John Montgomerie took the oath of an assessor before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day Abner Sampson took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day William Candy took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day John Barrow & John Craft took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day James Raymond took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day Governor Howland took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day John Nelson Leonard personally appeared and took the oath of an assessor for the year 1796 as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day David Sears who was chosen a Justice of the Peace was sworn to the faithful discharge of his duty in that office as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.

Plimouth: This day William Nathaniel Briggs personally appeared before me and took the oath of an assessor as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Rinkham Justice of Peace.



Shimouth h. Nathaniel Sampson James took the oath of highway surveyor as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before Joseph Simblam Justice of peace  
Nov 6. 1761

Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Town Clerk

Shimouth h. m. Jacob Bennett officer of justice  
Nov 29. 1761 m. Joseph James Surveyor of highways before me  
m. King took the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before Joseph Simblam Justice of peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Town Clerk

Shimouth h. Decem. 1761 Ben. m. John Tampion took the oath of Justice Treasurer as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Town Clerk

Shimouth h. These m. David Simmons took the oath of a Constable  
March 18. 1762 m. Matthew & Elly took the oath of Surveyor of highways and  
m. David took the oath of Justice of the peace as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Benjamin White took the oath of a wooden select man  
March 18. 1762 m. Paul & William took the oath of Justice of the peace as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Samuel Ward took the oath of a wooden and the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Stephen Dunham took the oath of a Justice of the peace as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Joseph Tampion took the oath of Justice Treasurer as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Robert Sprout took the oath of a wooden select man as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Samuel Shaw took the oath of a Surveyor of highways as also the oath required by law relating to bills of credit of the neighbouring governments before me  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Capt. Nathaniel Smith, Samuel Shaw, William Shaw and others took the oath of select men  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace

Shimouth h. These m. Capt. Peter Sprout Representative  
May 17. 1762 William Coady Constable  
Richard Finner Justice of the peace  
William & John Surveyors of highways  
John Thomas Justice of the peace  
all personally appeared and took these oaths relating to their office before me Joseph Simblam Justice of peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Simblam Town Clerk



Shimoth then James Wetherill personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then William Wetherill personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Ebenezer Barrows personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Ebenezer Barrows personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Samuel Fishburn personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then John Fishburn personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Joseph Wetherill personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Jacob Bennett personally appeared and took the oath of an Assessor according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Henry Mottbridge personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Jeremiah Howland personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of Highways according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then M. Barnard personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Robert Hoor and John Lounson personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Monarch Dwyer personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk

Shimoth then Capt. Liden personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace according to Law before me Joseph Fishburn Justice of Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Fishburn Town Clerk







Plymouth 13: April 9: 1764 Then David Weston personally appeared & took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 9: 1764 Then Thomas Nelson, Capt. Gideon Southworth, Benjamin White, m. John Tomson & m. Gideon Wood select men of Middleborough personally appeared and took the oath Required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C. and Capt. Gideon Southworth took the oath of a warden as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: May 9: 1764 Then Jacob Tomson J. C. personally appeared & took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: May 19: 1764 Then Samuel Smith personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

at a Town meeting held at the Freemen's meeting house in the first precinct in Middleborough on the 21st of May 1764

Plymouth 13: May 21: 1764 Then David Adams & Samuel Sinkerham J. C. took the oath of Constables and said Samuel Sinkerham J. C. took the oath of a surveyor of highways: Ezra Clark took the oath of warden and Lemuel Shingau took the oath of Deer Reeve, and at the same time they took the oath respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: June 1: 1764 Then Joseph Harris personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: June 11: 1764 Then Josiah Vaughan & George Williams both personally appeared and took the oath of fence viewers as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Plymouth 13: June 23: 1764 Then Zachariah Weston personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Aug 27: 1764 Then John Weston J. C. personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Sep 4: 1764 Then John Morton personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Sep 26: 1764 Then Edward W. L. burn personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: October 13: 1764 Then Ebenezer Briggs personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Nov 25: 1764 Then John Bennett personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Dec 23: 1764 Then Edward Weston personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: Dec 27: 1764 Then Edmund Wood personally appeared and took the oath of a warden & surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 1: 1765 Then Eben. Raymond, Peter Vaughan & Josiah Freeman all personally appeared and took the oath of surveyors of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. and James Shaw & Gideon Morton both personally appeared and took the oath of warden: as also Josiah Freeman & Charles Ellis personally appeared and took the oath of fence viewers as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C. Recorded by Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 9: 1765 Then Peter Oliver Esq. one of the select men of Middleborough personally appeared and took the oath Required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 12: 1765 Then Thimothy Pratt personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of highways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 13: 1765 Then Abiel Sampson personally appeared and took the oath of a warden as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.

Plymouth 13: April 17: 1765 Then Thomas Nelson, Gideon Wood, Capt. Gideon Southworth & m. Benjamin White select men of Middleborough all personally appeared and took the oath Required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as also John Tomson took the oath of a surveyor as the Law Directs before me Joseph Sinkerham J. C.



Plymouth 13<sup>th</sup> Then Benjamin Darling personally appeared and Took the  
Oath of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 13<sup>th</sup> May 1765 Then John Douglas personally appeared and Took the Oath  
of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 20<sup>th</sup> May 1765 Then Paul Hathaway Took the Oath of a Constable and  
John Macomber Took the Oath of Surveyor of high ways and they  
Took the Oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the  
Neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1765 Then Nathan Allen Took the Oath of a Surveyor of  
high ways as also the Oath Required by Law Respecting the  
Neighbouring Governments before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

July 10<sup>th</sup> Then John Smith J<sup>r</sup> Took the Oath of a Constable  
Benjamin Warren Took the Oath of a Surveyor of  
high ways as also they Took the Oath Required by  
Law Respecting the Bills of Credit of the  
Neighbouring Governments

Plymouth 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 1765 Then Israel Thomas personally appeared and Took the Oath of a  
Surveyor of high ways as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 1765 Then John Holmes personally appeared and Took the Oath of  
a Surveyor of high ways as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1765 Then Jonathan Ransom personally appeared and Took  
the Oath of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law  
directs before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

October 11<sup>th</sup> 1765 Then Jacob Bennett personally appeared and Took the Oath  
of a Surveyor as the Law directs before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

October 15<sup>th</sup> 1765 Then Moses Reading personally appeared and Took the Oath  
of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 1<sup>st</sup> December 1765 Then Debalon Leonard personally appeared and Took  
the Oath of an officer as the Law directs  
before me Joseph Finkham Justice of the Peace

Plymouth 2<sup>nd</sup> Middleborough March 27<sup>th</sup> 1766  
Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> was this Day sworn as Clerk  
and officer of the Town of Middleborough for the  
ensuing year, and Took the Oath relating to the  
Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments  
before me Peter Oliver Justice of the Peace  
Recorded by me Joseph Finkham J.



with the then Capt. Shewen Smith, m<sup>o</sup> [unclear] and [unclear]  
1806:766 White who were chosen selectmen of Middleborough took the  
Oath required by Law respecting bills of credit of the Neighboring  
Governments before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1801:766 Then James Smith Personally appeared and Took the oath of a  
Surveyor of high ways in the Law Directs before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1809:766 Then Capt. Nathaniel Smith one of the select men of Middleborough  
Took the oath required by Law respecting bills of credit of the Neighboring  
Governments before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1804:766 Then m<sup>o</sup> William Scott Personally appeared and Took the  
Oath of a warden in the Law Directs before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1807:766 Then m<sup>o</sup> John Montgomery one of the select men of Middleborough  
Personally appeared & Took the Oath required by Law respecting bills of  
credit of the Neighboring Governments before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1806:766 Then Ephraim Wood Jun<sup>r</sup>. Took the oath of a Constable & they  
Took the oath respecting Bills of credit of the Neighboring  
Governments before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1806:766 Then Zebulon Leonard Personally appeared &  
Took the Oath of an assessor for the year ensuing  
as the Law Directs before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1806:766 Then Joseph Richmond Took the Oath of a warden  
for the year ensuing: & John Richmond Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
Took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also  
They took the oath respecting Bills of credit of the  
Neighboring Governments before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

with 1806:766 Then Benjamin Thorne Personally appeared  
and Took the Oath of a Surveyor of high ways  
as the Law Directs before me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace



1766

Joniah Holloway warden

Joseph Lovel  
Thomas Blackman  
Daniel Vaughan  
John Hayfords

Sythen men

Eliza. Pine  
Edward Sherman  
George Sant

Constable

Thomas Pickings  
Jacob Tompion

Surveyor of high ways

Capt. Ebenezer Sprout Town Surveyor

And they also took the Oath Required by Law  
Respecting Bills of the Neighbouring Government  
before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then William Macomber personally appeared and took the Oath of a Magistrate as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Jacob Bonnah personally appeared and took the Oath of an Assessor as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Edward Washburn personally appeared and took the Oath of a Constable as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Cornish Barnum personally appeared and took the Oath of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then William Hoar personally appeared and took the Oath of a Surveyor of high ways as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Mr. Zebulon Leonard personally appeared and took the Oath of an Assessor as the Law Directs before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Jacob Lathrop personally appeared and took the Oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the Oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Government before me Joseph Simkham Justice

Then Mr. Silas Wood personally appeared and took the Oath of a Magistrate before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then David Bryant personally appeared and took the Oath of a Magistrate before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Joseph Lovel personally appeared and David Miller personally appeared and took the Oath required by Law as a warden and D. Miller Jr. the Oath required as a Surveyor of high ways before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Zachariah Paddeke personally appeared and took the Oath respecting Bills of Credit respecting the Neighbouring Government as also the Oath required by Law of a warden and also the Oath required of a Leather Seller before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then the persons here after named personally appeared viz. Capt. Nathaniel Smith Capt. Ebenezer Sprout Ensign Shattuck Wood and Mr. Joshua White and took the Oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Thomas Blackman personally appeared and took the Oath Required by Law respecting Bills of the Neighbouring Government: and also the Oath of a tithing man before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Job Simmons Jr. personally appeared and took the Oath Required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Government as also the Oath of a Magistrate before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then John Marcolley personally appeared and took the Oath Required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Government as also the Oath of a Magistrate before me John Morton Town Clerk



Plymouth  
May 12<sup>th</sup>  
1767

Then <sup>the oath</sup> Benet personally appeared & took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments

Plymouth  
May 18<sup>th</sup>

Before me John Norton Town Clerk  
Then Mr. Edward Washburn personally appeared and took the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments, as also William Shaw and others here named personally appeared and took the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments. I have taken the oath required by Law of an assessor: John Thomas took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways: Nathaniel Willington took the oath of a full discharge of the same of Surveyor: John Thomas took the oath of a settling man: Miles Linkham took the oath of a settling surveyor: and all the above named Persons took the oath and their oaths to their offices as by Law required

Plymouth  
May 20<sup>th</sup>

Before me John Norton Town Clerk  
Then Job Macomber personally appeared and took the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as also the oath required by Law of a Constable

Plymouth  
The 23<sup>rd</sup> 1767

Then John Norton personally appeared & took the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as also the oath of a Justice of Peace

Plymouth  
June 1<sup>st</sup>

Then Joshua Warman personally appeared and took the oath of a hog rear as the Law directs before me John Norton Town Clerk

Plymouth  
May 18<sup>th</sup>  
1767

Then Capt. Eben Sprague Being chosen to Represent the Town of Woburn in the great & general Court for the year ensuing personally appeared and took the oath required by Law of his respecting the credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Norton Town Clerk



Plim<sup>th</sup>  
June 20

Then Joseph Briggs personally appeared and took the oath required by Law of a Surveyor of high ways: as also the oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
June 27

Then Eben<sup>r</sup> Wood personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways as also the oath Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
July 18

Then Ebenezer Alden personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of the Peace as by Law Required as also the oath Required Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
July 24

Then Elijah Hackett personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of the Peace as by Law Required as also the oath Required Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
Sept 29

Then Jacob Tilton personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways as also the oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
October 1

Then Jonathan Reed personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of the Peace as also the oath Required Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
October 25

Then James Weston Jun<sup>r</sup> personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable: as also the oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim<sup>th</sup>  
November 23

Then Peter Vaughan personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable: as also the oath Required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments -  
before me John Morton Town Clerk



Then M<sup>r</sup> Zebulun Leonard Personally appeared  
November the 23<sup>d</sup> Took the oath of an assessor; also the oath required  
by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring  
Governments. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then John Morton Personally appeared Before explaining  
March 23<sup>d</sup> 1763 Keith Esq<sup>r</sup> and Took the oath required by Law  
Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring Govern-  
ments also the oath of a Town Clerk.

Recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Then the Persons hereafter named personally appeared & Took  
April 4<sup>th</sup> 1763 the oath required by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring  
Governments (viz) John Sprague Esq<sup>r</sup> & Zebulun Leonard  
Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Bennett M<sup>r</sup> Zebulun Leonard in W<sup>th</sup> Witness  
April 14<sup>th</sup> personally appeared and Took the oath required by Law  
of assessor of Province Towns, County of York & Took the  
oath as required Respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring  
Governments, as also the oath required of assessor  
in the State act of the General Court Respecting the taking  
the Vengeance. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Capt. John Sprague personally appeared & Took the oath  
April 14<sup>th</sup> required by Law of a Town Treasurer. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then James Smith personally appeared & Took the oath  
April 14<sup>th</sup> required of a Surveyor of high ways. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Peter Bennett personally appeared & Took  
April 16<sup>th</sup> the oath of a Warden as also the oath required  
by Law Respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring  
Governments. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Then Jacob Bennett personally appeared and Took the oath  
April 16<sup>th</sup> of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law  
Respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring Govern-  
ments. Before me John Morton Town Clerk  
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Dec<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1762. View of published a purpose of marriage between Amos  
wifes of middleborough & Prudence Horlings of Jamaica

then he got into a purpose of marriage between a related person &  
midwifery & many others of the same kind as a purpose of midwifery &  
between Thomas Richmond & a many others of the same kind as a purpose of midwifery &  
O Joseph Pinkham Junior Clerk

Jan<sup>y</sup> 22 Then I published a promise of marriage between Thomas Baden  
of m<sup>d</sup> Colborough & Susanna Rigg of ad<sup>l</sup> Colborough  
J<sup>h</sup> Joseph. Enkhaim Town Clerk

Feb 5. 1793 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Reid & Lydia  
both of Londonborough or also a purpose of marriage between James  
Anson & Sarah Bumpus both of Middleborough  
Joseph Bingham Town Clerk

Feb. 11. 43 I then published a proposal of marriage between the Rev. Dr. Colledge  
of Middlebury & m<sup>rs</sup> Phoebe King of Fannett St. Joseph. And am now

July 12. These I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Richmond of  
midlebury and Anna Fisher of Berkeleys, at a young of the vic<sup>r</sup>. Addison  
m<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Pitt of m<sup>r</sup>. D.borough & m<sup>r</sup>. Anne Menden of m<sup>r</sup>. Richmond  
B. Joseph & m<sup>r</sup>. Anne. Same Clerk

26 Plan of published a purpose of Joseph Smith have some clerk  
marriage between Edmund Richards of Tazewell & Abigail ward of  
Middleborough. Joseph Smith has some clerk

March 11. 1763 then I published a purpose of marriage between Sarah & Joseph Smith from Town

April 26<sup>th</sup> 1868 I published a purpose of marriage between John Sampson  
of Middleborough, and Elizabeth Cobb of Plympton  
P Joseph Suckerm Town Clerk

may 1898 then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Smith  
m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Bates both of middleborough.

July 28. 1792. The Court Published a Process of marriage between Benjamin Hapth  
 & Sarah Harmon both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dushowles

June Then I published a newspaper of marriage between Benjamin Franklin and Abigail, the both of which celebrated the birth of Joseph Smith.

June Place of birth of a marriage between John [unclear]  
and Abigail Morrell both of Middlebury  
D. Joseph Smith Junr

June 20<sup>th</sup> then I published a paragon of marriage between John V. Norton and Elizabeth Clap of Middleborough.

June 24 Then I published a portrait of ~~some~~ <sup>your</sup> ~~marriage~~ <sup>husband</sup>  
Robert Tucker of Norton & Mertha. Office of printing  
O Joseph Smith have done

Sept 19. 76 then I published a notice of marriage between James Boy of  
Pawton and Betsey Mason of Middleborough.  
I forgot to mention Sam Clark

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August 1763 then I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Rogers  
and Abigail Berger both of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept 7 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between David Leonard of  
Middleborough & Lydia Rogers of Taunton: also a purpose of marriage  
between John Howard of Taunton and Maria Howard of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Brannock and  
Sophia Simmons both of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

September 14 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Zedek Borwath  
of Haverhill and Elizabeth Smith of Middleborough: as also a purpose of  
marriage between Zedek Leach of Bridgewater and Susanna Washburn  
of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept 23 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Micah  
Allen of Middleborough and Miss Hannah Lynde of Haverhill: as  
also a purpose of marriage between David Jones of Haverhill &  
and another of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept 24 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Zedek  
Trath of Middleborough and Dorothy Smith of Bridgewater  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 1 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between James  
Amos & Mary Cogswell both of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 6 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between George  
Harris of Bridgewater & Hannah Lyon of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. George Leonard of Taunton  
and Miss Charity Nelson of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage  
between Elijah Leach & Sarah Shaw both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of  
marriage between Isaac Barber of Middleborough & Abigail Roberts of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 22 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John Mordant  
of Taunton & Miss Sarah Hanson of Middleborough: also a purpose  
of marriage between Mr. Paul Pratt & Miss Joel Bennett both  
of Middleborough: and also a purpose of marriage between Nath  
Mayo & Dorothy Smith both of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

November 11 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Hardy  
of Taunton and Richard Ellis of Taunton: also a purpose of marriage  
between Ebenezer Haskill & Betty Canady both of  
Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov 4 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Adam of Middleborough & Ruth Jacob of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

December 4 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Fryer  
of Middleborough & Ruth large of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

December 7 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between James Haskill  
of Taunton and Abigail Mann of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Dec 17 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Abner  
Wood of Middleborough & Deborah, Reeds of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Dec 16 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas  
Pekings of Middleborough & Esther Jonsford of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Dec 31 63 then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph  
Chamberlain of Taunton & Susanna Pratt of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

January 17 64 then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Delano of Taunton & Miss Mary Hoen of  
Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Jan 29 64 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
John Miller & Miss Leitch, Taunton  
both of Middleborough: and also a purpose  
of marriage between Robert Simons a Indian  
man & Sarah Thomas, Widow, both of  
Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

February 7 64 then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas  
Simmons & Rebeckah, Prince, both of Middleborough  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 7 64 then I published a purpose of marriage between Peter  
Finkham & Malley Jonsford both of Middleborough &  
also Lebedee, Churchel, of Middleborough & Sarah  
of Taunton: & John Richard & Ruth Pratt both of  
Taunton: & Hugh Canady of Middleborough & Ruth Pratt  
Baker of Taunton: all published on of above P  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 3 64 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John  
of Middleborough & Miss Sarah Delano of Taunton  
P Joseph Finkham Town Clerk



Ephraim. Hatchell & Elizabeth Peabody both of Middleborough, a Purse of marriage  
Caleb Tinkham, and Deborah Babbitt both of Middleborough, P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

April 7 Then I Published a Purse of marriage between David Peirce of Middleborough, & Abigail Hutton of Truro. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

April 14<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purse of marriage between John Eaton of Middleborough, & Patience Shelly of Raynham. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

April 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purse of marriage between John Stevens & Thankfull Cobb both of Middleborough, P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

\* May 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purse of marriage between the Rev. m<sup>r</sup> Salomon Reed of Middleborough and miss Sarah Reed of Abington. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

May 26<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Job Alden & miss Lucy Spooner both of Middleborough, m<sup>r</sup> Batchelor Bennett & miss Mary Long both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

May 31<sup>st</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Eliza Thomas and Martha, both of Middleborough, P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

June 30<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between John Bisset of Bridgewater & Sarah, both of Middleborough, P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

June 9 Then I Published a Purse of marriage between Ebenezer Shaw Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough & Deborah Smith of Bridgewater. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

\* May 12 Then I published a Purse of marriage between William, Jun<sup>r</sup> & Mary Jackson, both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

July 7: 46<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Samuel Bennett and Ann Bennett both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

July 18<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Moses Shaw of Middleborough, & m<sup>r</sup> Mary Pease of Plimpton, as also William Peirce of Taunton & Joanne Duggell of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

July 18 I Published a Purse of marriage between Ebenezer, Negro man & servant to madam, Mary Thayer of Middleborough, & Betty Connet of Andover, Women of Plimpton. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Aug 12<sup>th</sup> 46<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Shalimar Briggs of Abington and miss Abigail Pease of Middleborough, as also between m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Leal of Middleborough & miss Lydia Dunsen of Hallowell. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 46<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between David Thomas & Deborah Howland both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 46<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Miller Jun<sup>r</sup> & miss Betty Reed both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Sept 10: 46<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Joshua Benjamin of Middleborough & Sarah Ellis of Middleborough, P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk  
as also on y<sup>e</sup> same day I published a Purse of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough & miss Bethiah Chapman of Hallowell, as also between Reuben Barrows & Bethiah both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Sept 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Benjamin Shaw and Mary Jane both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Joshua and Bethiah Reed both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Oct 6<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Simon Fuller of Middleborough and Anne Blackman of Portland. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between John Clark of Middleborough & Ephraim of Taunton, as also a Purse of marriage between Deborah Vaughan & Mary both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purse of marriage between Joseph Smith and Abigail both of Middleborough, as also a Purse of marriage between John Smith & Mary both of Middleborough. P. Joseph Tinkham, Town Clerk



Nov 5: 1764 then I published a purpose of marriage between Abraham Niles of middlboro' and Mary Spurr of Haverham: as also a purpose of marriage between Joseph & Hannah Corlie of both of middlborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Jeremiah Jones of Middleboro' and Sarah Wood of Bridgewater  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Nov 7 then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathaniel Smith of H. & Anne Tillingham both of middlborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Robert Pagan of Middleborough & Sarah H. of Dartmouth  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Nov 24 then I published a purpose of marriage between Abraham Vaughan of middlborough, and Anne Roper of Frambrook  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

December 1: 1764 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John B. of H. & Mary Walsburn both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Dec 8 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Fry of Middleborough & Sarah of Middleborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Dec 29 then I published a purpose of marriage between Timothy Cobb of H. & Sarah Church of H. & Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

January 5th 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between Roger Haskell & Judith N. both of middlboro': as also a purpose of marriage between John Bradford of Kingstown, and Hannah Ledy of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Feb 4 then I published a purpose of marriage between John G. of H. & Elizabeth Proctor of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Feb 9 then I published a purpose of marriage between Rachel Sampson of middlborough & Sarah James of H. & Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Feb 22 then I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Smith of H. & Mary of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Feb 25 then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathan Hudson of H. & Hannah Pratt of middlboro' & Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

March 6: 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between Daniel & Mary Thomas both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

April 10 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between John & Mary of middlboro' & Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

April 27 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between Samuel Hough of middlborough and Miss Macomber of Taunton: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Silvanus Cobb & Miss Mary of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

May 11: 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between John & Hannah both of middlborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Samuel Finkham of H. & Sarah Woods of Bridgewater  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

May 25 then I published a purpose of marriage between George Williams of middlborough & Henry Adams of H.  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

June 1 then I published a purpose of marriage between John Thomas and Molly Frost both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

June 8 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thiel Leachman & Lucy Wood both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

June 22 then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Hough & Mary Smith both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

July 6 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. James Smith & Miss Betts both of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

July 27 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Samuel Smith of Taunton & Miss Margaret Montgomery of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

August 1 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thomas Avery of H. & Miss Hannah Bennett of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

August 5 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Richard of middlboro' & Mary of H. & also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Samuel of Taunton & Miss Mary of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Sept 1 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. William of H. & Miss Hannah Jones both of middlboro' as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. David Thomas of H. & Miss Mary of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk

Sept 28 1765 then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John & Miss Mary of middlborough  
P Joseph Sankham Town Clerk



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October 12<sup>th</sup> 1765 Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
M<sup>r</sup> Lopheniah Leonard of Gaynham & Miss Mary  
Alden of Middleborough as also a purpose  
of Marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Wood and  
Hebeah Tupper both of Middleboro: as also  
purpose of Marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Nathan Alden  
& Miss Grisilla Miller both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

October 19<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Wood & Sarah Weston both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Jonathan Mayo of Middleborough & Melly  
of Barkley P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Henry Evers of Barkley & Rachel Kennels  
Middleborough P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Abner Stephens of Grafton & Hope Kennels of  
Middleborough P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Dec 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Kennels & Hannah Dry both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Dec 28<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Hear Dinkham of Middleborough & Lucretia  
Hammond of Dartmouth  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

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Then I published a Purpose of Marriage between  
Theuzer Elmer & Hannah Pratt both of Middleboro  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Lade & Leonard of Middleborough & Deborah  
Keith of Bridgewater as also a purpose of marriage  
between Ephraim Richmond of Middleborough  
& Anne Dean of Taunton as also a purpose  
of Marriage between Setham Caswell Jun<sup>r</sup> and  
Charity Kennels both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

January 18<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purpose of Marriage between  
Seth Wood & Lydia Kandel both of Middleboro  
as also a purpose of Marriage between Thomas  
Cobb & Phoebe Shaw both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

January 25<sup>th</sup> Then I published a Purpose of Marriage between  
Sol<sup>d</sup> Eaton & Martha Cobb both of Middleboro  
as also a Purpose of Marriage between Josiah  
Thomas & Elisabeth Robbins both of Middleboro  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Feb 8<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Barrows & Rachel Thomas both of Middleborough as  
also a purpose of Marriage between F<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel  
Jackson Jun<sup>r</sup> & Hebeah Holloway both of Middleboro  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between John  
Clerke & S<sup>r</sup> Harris both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Dinkham Town Clerk



Meys Name	Demand	Refused	Report Due
David Ray	8-10:1		6:13:4
Zach Lenoir	6:1:8	4-10-0	0:15:3
M <sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson	2:7:5		2:7:5
Daniel Throffler	12:16:2		6:0:0
Do <sup>r</sup> Michael Allen	00:15:7		0:0:7
Joseph Den	1:3:8		1:3:8
Nathaniel Richmond	0:15:0		0:15:0
Samuel Hanson for			
things he purchased	0:18:6		0:18:6
John Warren	2:5:0		1:12:0
Kemuel Hanson for			
labor done he	0:12:0		0:10:0
Mary Macomber	0:18:0		0:18:0
Elizabeth Phillips	7:10:0	Ref. 0:12:8	3:9:4
William Richmond	18:6:8		0:0:0
Capt. Gidens Southworth	1:9:8		1:9:8
Solomon Leach	8:8:8	Remitted by order of the court 1:2:6	3:5:6
P <sup>r</sup> Benjamin White	2:13:4		2:10:0
Do <sup>r</sup> William Thomas	2:13:4		2:13:4
Benjamin Peterson	6:8:0		1:8:0
Joseph Eaton	0-13-7		0-7-7
John Eaton	0-11-9		0-11-0
Abner Shaw	0-12-9		0-9-8
Joseph Richmond	0-16-0		0-12-0
Spanish Bradford	5-2-0	Received and paid for 5-1-0	4-12-0
Elen <sup>a</sup> Briggs	0-6-0		0-6-0
Abiah Cole	0-9-0		0-9-0
James Thomas	0-6-0		0-1-0
April 6. 1864	76:5:9	5:142	47-13-8

64<sup>th</sup> ch said meeting voted to allow a day to Ebenezer Briggs, Nov. 3  
 1792 & 3<sup>rd</sup> out of the Town Treasurer to the deficiency of the Rate Bill  
 that was committed to E. Briggs to collect as Campbell  
 65<sup>th</sup> ch said meeting voted to allow to pay to Joseph Bradford the  
 10:5:0 sitting out of the Town Treasurer in addition to what has been  
 already allowed him for nothing in the small pox  
 66<sup>th</sup> ch said meeting voted to Remitt of Mr. Tab. Ebenezer Briggs was  
 held in Abraham Shaver Rate Bill, and the said Ebenezer to have, 10  
 04:12:11 same Disputed with the Town Treasurer  
 74<sup>th</sup> ch said meeting it was put to vote whether the Town will  
 Part of these publick Town meetings at the next  
 meeting to be in said Town, and it pass in the Negative  
 then the meeting was dismissed  
 attest Joseph Dickinson Town Clerk

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 Chosen.  
 and General  
 Service  
 in 30<sup>th</sup> Day of  
 of South

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of small pebbles

Lusk, L. A.  
 Benjamin F. Lusk  
 Lusk, L. A.  
 Lusk, L. A.  
 Lusk, L. A.



at a Town meeting held by adjournment from March 1864 to April 9 following at said meeting voted and accepted the alteration of a road that lead to through Wappanuck road by the select men at the Request of Henry Wood & Nathaniel Leonard &c  
at said meeting voted and accepted of a road laid out by the select men of Middleborough on the month of April 1864 at the Request of Jacob Tompkins and others provided the same be at no cost to the Town

2-450-900  
8-300-24  
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Plymouth S. Be it remanded that on the eighth day of September A.D. 1868 Enos Carver as principal

personally appeared before me Cornelius B. Wood Esq one of the Justices for the said County of Plymouth and acknowledged himself to be lawfully indebted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the sum of Fifty Dollars, to be levied on their goods or chattels, lands or tenements, and in court thereof upon their bodies, to the use of the said Commonwealth, if default be made in the performance of the condition here under written

The condition of the above written recognizance is such that whereas Lemuel Robbins hath complained against Enos Carver for that the said Enos Carver on the first day of September A.D. 1868 at Lakeville in said County of

St. Benjamin White	2:13:4	3:5:6
Do <sup>r</sup> William Thomas	2:13:4	2:13:4
Benjamin Peterson	6:8:0	1:8:0
Joseph Eaton	0-13-7	0-7-7
John Eaton	0-11-9	0-11-0
Abner Sears	0-10-8	0-9-8
Joseph Richmond	0-16-0	0-12-0
Amos Briggs	5-2-0	4-13-0
Elmer Briggs	0-6-0	0-6-0
Abiah Cole	0-9-0	0-9-0
James Thomas	0-6-0	0-9-0
April 6. 1864	71:5:7	5:14:2 47-13-8

John Miller  
Joseph Fisk  
Committee

Then the Town on a motion made seconded for was voted that the meeting should be adjourned to the meeting in May 1864 for the choice of a Representative to be held at the proprietors meeting house in the Fifth Precinct in Middleborough at the time of the Clerk in the afternoon on said day and the meeting to be adjourned to same time  
attest Joseph Fisk Town Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the Fifth Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 1864 and Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout was chosen to serve for and regulate the Town at the grate and General Court or assembly to be held & kept for his majestys service at the Court House in Concord upon Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May next and so during the Session & Sessions of said Court

At a Town meeting held by adjournment from March to the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 1864 and the moderator took his place and thanked the following votes (viz)  
1<sup>ly</sup> Then voted to allow & pay to John Johnson 20<sup>cts</sup> out of the Town Treasurers for his service in serving the Town as Treasurer for the year 1863

2<sup>ly</sup> Then it was put to vote whether the Town would build a post house on the Towns lot for the use of the Small pox and if post in the Negative

3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & made choice of Samuel Fisk as Constable in the Room & stead of Capt. Benjamin Fisk who was chosen last March & Reginald Sprout as Justice of the Peace in the Room & stead of John Nelson who was Justice from said office by vote of the Town

4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Ebenezer Briggs 3<sup>00</sup> out of the Town Treasurers for the deficiency of the State bill that was committed to A. Briggs to collect as Constable

5<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Josiah Bradford the sum of \$10:3:0 for his services in addition to what has been already allowed him for Nighting in the Small pox

6<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to dismiss of the State Ebenezer Briggs was rated in Abraham Shaws lot bills and the said Abraham to have the same dismissed with the Town Treasurers

7<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting it was put to vote whether the Town will mark off their publick Town meetings at the next Town meeting House in said Town and if post in the Negative then the meeting was dismissed  
attest Joseph Fisk Town Clerk



At a Town meeting held by the Inhabitants of the Town  
of Middleborough at the Proprietors meeting-house within  
the fifth Precinct of said Town on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> Day  
May 1764 and Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen  
moderator of said meeting

1<sup>ly</sup> Then at said meeting the Town voted to petition the Great  
and General Court relating the fifth Cattle diseases as to  
go up to catch these Spawners

2<sup>ly</sup> on a motion made & seconded the Town proceeded by vote  
to Chuse a Committee to draw a plan to send to the Great &  
General Court relating to which the Town would Sign the  
Petition & General Court to do for the Preservation of the said  
fifth &c. and Peter Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Joseph Smith Esq<sup>r</sup> were Chosen for the  
Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout above said Comm<sup>tee</sup>  
J<sup>r</sup> Richard Wood &  
J<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson

and then the Town voted to adjourn said meeting for the space  
of one hour in order for said Comm<sup>tee</sup> to draw up their Report  
and lay the same before the Town for their acceptance  
Then Town met according to adjournment & the moderator  
took his place and the above said Committee made Report  
and then put to vote whether the Town would accept of  
said Report and it passed in the Affirmative

3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting meeting it was put to vote whether the Town  
will or no have Treasurers to pay the last of the Committee that  
was appointed by the General Sessions of the Peace  
to lay out a high way from Cap<sup>t</sup> Sprout to Woodward Bridge  
and it passed in the Affirmative

4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting it was voted to enable & empower Mr  
John Tomson the Treasurer of said Town to have £47.0.0  
lawful money to enable him the said Treasurer to discharge  
the Debts that have arisen against said Town  
on account of the small pox

5<sup>ly</sup> Voted that Liberty be granted to any more Persons  
take at or Near the Slatting mill in Namskech River the  
fifth Cattle diseases, three Days in each and every week  
during the ensuing season of 65 of the said fifth passing  
up Namskech River in this Town to catch their Spawners,  
and



and that the said Liberty be sold to the Person or Persons who shall offer the greatest Sum for the same such Person or Persons being Obligated forthwith to find Security to the Town for the Payment of such Sum as they shall offer, and the Person or Persons whom such Liberty is granted shall Demand and Receive no more than one Shilling per hundred for said Fish and so in proportion for a greater or lesser Quantity. Provided that the same be granted from the Great and General Court and Council of this Province for taking said Fish as aforesaid

6<sup>ly</sup> Voted that Joseph Shomer Sprout the Representative of the Town be Desired to Obtain Liberty of the Great and General Court for the Taking of the said Fish according to said Vote

7<sup>ly</sup> Hence said meeting voted that the above vote be in force provided Liberty be obtained of the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Peter Oliver Esq for the Taking of said Fish at his Settlement on Narraganset River

8<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & made a Choice of David White to take due Care that there be no Stoppage in Narraganset River to Stop the passage of the young Indians or their Come Down said River and be that said Stoppage if any there be be removed

and then the moderator Synniff so meeting

attest Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting Held at the Proprietors meeting House in the first Precinct in Middleborough Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1764 and Edward Sherman and Peter Vaughan were appointed by Drawing out the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury Trials at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Middleborough within and for the County of Plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of July Next

attest Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk



at a Town meeting Hld at the Proprietors meeting house in the first Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1764 and Zebadiah Booth and Ebenezer Barrow were appointed by Drawing out of the Box at the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Next Justice Court to be held at Wiscasset in & for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of October Next

At a Town meeting Hld at the Proprietors meeting house in the first Precinct in Middleborough on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of September Annoque Domini 1764 and Capt. Ebenezer Spooner was chosen moderator of said meeting and then pass the following votes. viz<sup>t</sup>

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Edward Westburn Junr. for Constable in the Room of his Father Edward Westburn who was chosen last May in that office & Refus<sup>d</sup> to retire and immediately on said choice the said Edward Westburn offered the Town to serve in his Sons Room provided his said son might have the benefit of it & then and by vote the Town accepted of the said Edward Westburn to serve as Constable in the Room & stead of his said late Edward Westburn on Conditions as above said and Joseph Frink Junr. accepted as surety for the said Edward Westburn faithfully Discharging the said office of Constable

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay John Sampson 20<sup>s</sup> out of the Town Treasurer for his trouble in prambulating on the line between Middleborough & Rochester paying for Copy 2<sup>d</sup>

3<sup>ly</sup> at a Town meeting voted to allow & pay unto Jeremiah L. Ingham 6-0-0 out of the Town Treasurer for his keeping Priscilla Warren in her last sickness & death by order of the Select

4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Zebadiah Booth 10<sup>s</sup> 8 out of the Town Treasurer for his trouble in prambulating on the line between Middleborough & Rochester and for paying for Recording select mens warrants &c

5<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay Capt. Gideon Southworth 8<sup>s</sup> 8 out of the Town Treasurer for his trouble in prambulating the line between Middleborough & Rochester & for paying for Recording select mens warrants &c



6<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto m<sup>r</sup> Thomas N. Johnson  
 6/ out of the Town Treasurer for his trouble in presenting  
 10:6:0 on the line between Middleborough & Dorchester

7<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt the whole of Simon Solomon  
 Rents in David Simons Rate Bills being £ and the same  
 David to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer

8<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Enable & order the Town Treasurer  
 to pay the Courts Committee for their trouble in laying out  
 of the High way leading from the old meeting House to the  
 westerly Bridge agreeable to the order of Court

9<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt the whole of John Ellis  
 Rates in Eleazar Pratt's Rate bills being £1-0-10 and the  
 £1-0-10 said Eleazar to have the same paid him out of the Town  
 Treasurer

10<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt to pull Taxes that m<sup>r</sup> Eleazar  
 Sprague was Rated in Annual Ransport Rates bills being  
 £0-17:4 and the same to be paid to the L<sup>d</sup> General  
 out of the Town Treasurer

and then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of October next at one of the Clock in the after noon  
 to be held at the afore<sup>d</sup> meeting House &c

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting place  
 in the first precinct in Middleborough (by adjournment)  
 from the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of Sept<sup>r</sup> to this Day being the 8<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of October 1764 and the moderator took his place  
 and then past the following Votes viz<sup>t</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> at said meeting voted to Sell the Privilege of  
 Certifying fifth Cattle aboves to the high bidder agree-  
 able to a late Law of this province: and that  
 who ever should pay the privilege as aforesaid shall  
 not picket any other Jurken market when ever there  
 is any home market for the same: and who ever  
 should bye the privilege of taking said fifth as he said  
 shall give sufficient security to the Town the  
 for the payment of the money, and that one  
 of the money that is given for said privilege  
 shall be paid into the Town Treasurer for day  
 use by the first Day of June next and the  
 other half to be paid as aforesaid by  
 Day of September next



2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Raise £60 Lawfull money by levying a Tax or assessments on the Polls and Estate of the inhabitants of said Town and ordered by the assessors to be paid into the Treasurer of said Town the one half of it by the first Day of Feb<sup>r</sup> Next, & the other half of said Sum be paid into said Treasurer by the first Day of may Next, and said Sum to be appropriated to the use of English Schools to be kept in said Town for the year ensuing: and said Sum of £60 to be Equally Divided in the four Constables Districts in said Town for the purposes as aforesaid

3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tomlinson to Receive £15 Lawfull money of the Town Treasurer to be improved in the North District in said Town for the use of an English School or Schools in said District, in such a way & manner as shall be ordered by said District, and the said Caleb is hereby empowered to Notify said District to meet together for the ordering the manner of said Schools and how many shall be kept in said District

4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Jehad Wood to Receive £15 of the Town Treasurer for the Support of English Schools to be kept in the South East District in said Town and the said Jehad is hereby empowered to Notify said District to meet together for the ordering the manner of said Schools and how many shall be kept in said District

at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Zebulon Leonard to Receive £15 & 11<sup>th</sup> of the Town Treasurer for the Support of English Schools to be kept in the West District in said Town and the said Zebulon is hereby empowered to Notify said District to meet together for the ordering of said Schools &c

at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> John Wood to Receive £15 of the Town Treasurer for the Support of English Schools to be kept in the North District, and the said John is hereby empowered to Notify said District to meet together for the ordering of said Schools &c

7<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Raise £60 Lawfull money on the Polls & Estates of the inhabitants of said Town for the Defraying of the Necessary Charge arising & arisen in said Town, and the assessors are hereby empowered to assess said Sum as aforesaid and order the Constables by their warrants to pay in said Sum to the Town Treasurer the one half of it by the first Day of February Next, and the other half by the first Day of may Next

8<sup>ly</sup> At said meeting a Question being put whether the Mill Sails Called Blennets mill be any part of the Old Stone wall so called in North Street River in said Town and it pass in the Negative

9<sup>ly</sup> on a motion made and seconded it was voted that the meeting should be adjourned to the House of Capt. Ebenezer Sproutts to meet immediately there, and being met according to adjournment the moderator took his place and then proceeded to sell the privilege of cutting the fift called elsewhere as voted in the first vote of said meeting: and the said privilege was sold to Lt. Nelson Finney of said Middleborough for the consideration of £80 Lawfull money he being the highest bidder and Capt. Benjamin Pratt Ebenezer Raymond, Silas Wood & Zebariah Maddock appeared to be sureties for said Finney, and the Town by vote accepted of the said Benjamin, Ebenezer, Silas & Zebariah as sureties for the said Nelson for his paying the aforesaid £80 into the Town Treasurer as before ordered

and then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of Oct<sup>r</sup> Instant at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon to hold at the proprietors meeting house in the first precinct in said Town



at a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of December 1764 and manoch Beufon, David Shaw and Samuel Abouforn were appointed as the said Directs by drawing out of the Bag to serve on the jury of Trials at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Superior Court of Common Pleas next to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of January next.

Know all men by these Presents that we Thomas Nelson John Tomson & Jethro Wood Selectmen of the Town of Middleborough and Eliza Barrow appointed by David Wing Seth Dexter and Nathaniel Hammond Selectmen of the Town of Rochester being meet together this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of September 1764 in order to preamble upon the line and Renew the Bound between the aforesaid two Townships and accordingly we all went to the Southeast Corner bound of Middleborough being a small pine Tree marked M.P.R. and from said pine Tree we have the westerly line which we find to Run one Degree and a half Southward of West to the highway that leadeth from Plymouth to Rochester where we set a heap of Stones the westerly side, the way and from said Stones on the same course to a heap of Stones lying upon the place where the black oak Tree formerly stood which was a Station between said Towns as shewn to us being on the westerly side of the highway that leadeth from Middleborough to said Rochester which Station we Renew and from thence we still have the westerly line as aforesaid and crossed the southerly part of the two Islands in the Easternmost of Quitticus Ponds and Extended the same line to the mouth of the Brook that Runneth out of the westerly into the Easterly of Quitticus Pond which Brooks mouth we allow to be a Station. Between said Towns as formerly and from said Brooks mouth we Run across said westerly pond the same line as aforesaid Extended the same to the Stake and heap of Stones which is the bound between Rochester & Free Town standing in Middleborough line which is the End of the line between said Middleborough and Rochester in which wherof we have hereunto set our hands the Day above.

Eliza Barrow } Selectman of Thomas Nelson } Selectman of  
Seth Dexter } John Tomson }  
Nathaniel Hammond } Rochester } Jethro Wood }

We the Subscribers John Tomson and Benjamin White Selectmen of the Town of Middleborough and Noah Lufking, Moses Jagger & Ebenezer Tomson Selectmen of Hallowell being met together on the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of October 1764 have by mutual agreement delineated a line between the two aforesaid Townships as follows the line beginning at a Stake with Stones about it at or near the Town Line between Middleborough and Hallowell and is run South-Eastward from Ebenezer Fuller's House and from said Stones ranging South 50 Degrees westerly 200 pole to a Stake in the ground with Stones about it on a Island of land between the Swamp and the mill Pond on the Easterly side of the Pond about 3 or 4 Rods from where the Pond floweth: and from thence ranging North fifty Degrees and half westerly about 40 pole to a Stake with Stones about it standing on the westerly side of Raven Brook about four Rods from where the Pond floweth, and thence on the same line to Bartlett's Brook to a Stone set in the ground where was formerly the upper Corner Bound of Ebenezer Cobblers thence on the same line to a Stone pitched in the ground marked M.H. standing about a pole from Bridge over River and so come to the River. The above lines Run and the bounds Renewed the Day and year above written by us the Subscribers

John Tomson } Selectmen  
Benjamin White } Middleborough  
Noah Lufking } Selectmen  
Moses Jagger } Hallowell  
Ebenezer Tomson }

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of March A.D. 1765 and Cap<sup>t</sup> Nathaniel Smith He Mr. John Smith were chosen ~~the~~ Grand Jury at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth for and within the County of Plymouth on the Second Tuesday of April Next and at the several Courts of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden there for one year; and Nathaniel Smith, Joseph Shaw and Joseph Allen were appointed as the said Directs by drawing out of the Bag to serve on the jury of Trials at said Court, and at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth aforesaid on the second Tuesday of April Next.



At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct meeting house on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March Anno Domini 1765 for the choice of Town officers and other business contained in the Warrant and A. Thomas Nelson was chosen moderator of said meeting, and then proceeded as follows viz

1<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> <sup>Chair</sup> Jan 12. Clerk

2<sup>ly</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Peter Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup>

3<sup>ly</sup> Joshua Wood  
4<sup>th</sup> Thomas Nelson  
5<sup>th</sup> Benjamin White

Were Chosen select men.

6<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup>  
7<sup>th</sup> Jacob Bennett  
8<sup>th</sup> Zebulon Leonard

Were Chosen assessors

9<sup>ly</sup> M<sup>r</sup> John Farnsworth Chosen Town Treasurer

10<sup>ly</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Edmund Wood  
11<sup>th</sup> Wrich Sampson  
12<sup>th</sup> Richard Morton  
13<sup>th</sup> Moses Soley  
14<sup>th</sup> James Shaw  
15<sup>th</sup> William Noyes

Were Chosen Wardens

6<sup>ly</sup> a Question being put Whether the Town will make any alteration in the constables duties and it passed in the Negative  
7<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to make a choice of Capt<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Pratt, Hon<sup>ble</sup> Wapburn Paul Hathaway & John Bennett to serve as Constables for the year ensuing

8<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting M<sup>r</sup> Edward Wapburn Father to the above said Amos Wapburn offered the town to serve in the Room of his son Amos provided the Town will let the 2<sup>d</sup> pair Amos have the benefit of the Town and the Town accepted his said Edward Wapburn to serve as Constable in the Room of his son Amos on the conditions as is above exp<sup>d</sup>

9<sup>ly</sup> Jonathan Hanson, James Lebaron, Benjamin Dexting, Moses Redding, Phares Pratt, Joshua Shaw, Nathaniel Allen, Nathaniel Farnsworth, William Raymond, John Doughty, Joseph Kilham, Phineas Wood, John Doughty, Edmund Wood, Job Isaacson, Richard Wood, John Rider, Israel Thomas, Peter Vaughan, & John Holmes Chosen Surveyors of Highways

10<sup>ly</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Moses Thomas

John Benson  
William, the Jun<sup>r</sup>  
John Leonard  
Clement Finkham  
Jonathan Shaw

Were Chosen Sitting men

11<sup>ly</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Bates Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen Sec<sup>y</sup> of Letter

12<sup>ly</sup> Samuel Hathaway  
James Blackman  
Silas Wood  
James Raymond  
John Doughty

Were Chosen laymen

13<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and accepted of a Return of Highways made by the select men and voted that it should be returned and then on a motion made and seconded that the meeting should be adjourned: and therefore voted to adjourn said meeting to Monday the first day of April next at one of the Church meeting rooms to be held at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough: and the mod<sup>o</sup> declared said meeting to be adjourned to said time  
attest Joseph Finkham Town Cl<sup>k</sup>

At a Town meeting held at Middleborough on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1765 and continued by adjournment to the first day of April next at one of the Church meeting rooms and then met at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in said Town: and the moderator took his place and put the following votes viz

1<sup>ly</sup> Peter Charleial & Dear River  
Silvanus Peterson

2<sup>ly</sup> Jonathan Reed  
Isaac Bennett

3<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Freeman  
Charles Ellis  
Nathaniel Briggs  
William Farnsworth

4<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Freeman Surveyor of Highways



5<sup>ly</sup> John Finkham Jun<sup>r</sup> Surveyor of wheat & flower

6<sup>ly</sup> William Shaw Surveyor of Shingles & Cleaves

7<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Wood pound keeper

8<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Jacob Finkham  
£2-4-0 out of the Town Treasurers for his service making  
of Rats in the year 1764

9<sup>ly</sup> Voted to pay m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Bennet for making Rats in the year  
1764 & for carrying business for the Town £2-2-8 out of the  
Town Treasurers

10<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Lt. Jacob Souther out of the  
Town Treasurers for his serving the Town in assisting the  
selectmen (with copy) in preambulating on the lines  
between Middleborough & Rochester

11<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Capt. Gideon Souther the  
Town Treasurers six shillings for his service  
in preambulating on the line between Middleborough & Rochester

12<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Nelson  
seven shillings & four pence for his service as Town Treasurer  
for his service in preambulating on the line between  
Middleborough & Rochester, and making the Rats for the  
year 1764

13<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Lt. Benjamin White out  
of the Town Treasurers for his service in preambulating on the  
line between Middleborough & Halifax

14<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Jacob Bates Jr. two  
shillings & eight pence out of the Town Treasurers for his  
service as a Committee in settling the accounts relating the  
small tax

15<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> John Souther  
£1-10-0 twenty shillings out of the Town Treasurers for his service  
serving the Town as Town Treasurer for the year 1764

16<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to Remitt the whole of Quaker  
Green Rate to William Bennet (by bill being 17/8 and  
the Lt. William to have the same defrauded with the Town  
Treasurer

17<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Hannah Carter  
£0-17-9 out of the Town Treasurers it being for her being  
over Rats in the year 1760

18<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted Liberty for Swine to run at large  
provided they be yoked and ringed according to the present  
law.



19<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> John Finkham & David Miller & Joseph Thomas to see that there be no obstruction of the passage of the 5<sup>th</sup> Colled glaucines at they pass up the offest River this Spring to C<sup>st</sup> their spawn, and to ask what they may think proper to prevent said fish beating up & down m<sup>r</sup> Cornelius Bennetts mill Ditch, and also to see & order said fish to have a good passage way through his dam and also to see that they have a good passage through or round the New Dam so called &c  
Then the meeting was adjourned  
attest Joseph Finkham Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the 5<sup>th</sup> Precinct in Middleborough on the first day of April 1765 and voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Johnson & Ephraim Wood to serve on the grand jury and Richard Sells & William Hinney were appointed by the inhabitants the Box of the said District to serve on the jury of Trials of the Next Superior Court of Judicature Court of Assize & General Goal Delivery Next to be held on at Plymouth within & for the County of Middlesex on the third day of May Next

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in the 5<sup>th</sup> Precinct in Middleborough on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1765 and Daniel Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen for to represent the Town at the Great and General Court or assembly to be kept and held for his majestys service at the Court House in Boston on the twenty ninth day of May instant and so during the session & sessions of said Court for the year ensuing

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in the 5<sup>th</sup> Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May Anno Domini 1765 and on Thomas Vose was chosen moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting a vote being put whether the Town will answer the Request of David Simmons made to the select men which pass in the Negative

Then on a motion made and seconded it was voted to adjourn said meeting to Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June next at 3 of the Clock in the after noon to meet at Bencolys House and the moderator declared said meeting was adjourned to said Time



June 8<sup>th</sup> 1765 at a Town Meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House in the Town of Middleborough by adjournment: and the moderator took his place and then pass the following Votes (viz)

- 1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted and made Choice of John Smith for Constable in the Room & Stead of Capt Benjamin Pratt who Refuses to serve
- 2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted and made Choice of Benjamin Warren to serve as Surveyor in the Room & Stead of Deaver Pratt who Refuses to serve
- 3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted not to chose an agent to represent Capt Benjamin Pratt for his not serving as Constable this Year
- 4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to pay the Cost of setting the Road leading from Middleborough to the back of the Lake the Town Treasurer is being £4. 12. 0 L<sup>d</sup> 10<sup>0</sup>
- 5<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting Voted to allow & pay Joseph Strickland three pounds twelve Shillings & one pence out of the Town Treasurer it being the same he paid for the P. Town being presented, including fines & Costs then the mod<sup>o</sup> Declared said meeting was dissolved attest Joseph Strickland Town Clerk

at a Town Meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1765 and Edward W. & James Strickland were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law Direct to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace, and at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas Next to be holden at New Bedford within and for the County of Dukes on the 15<sup>th</sup> of July Next

Middleborough July 16<sup>th</sup> 1765

Whereas John Miller of D Middleborough, has made a Request to us the Subscribers Joseph Freeman & Charles Ellis of said Middleborough who was chosen fence Viewers & Surveyors to & for the Discharge of D<sup>y</sup> office march Last past in D Middleborough to make a Division of the fence standing between of tenth Lot in the first a lot in in of 12 men purchase in said Middleborough, now owned & improved by D John Miller and of the Lot lately owned & improved by Hozekiah Turinton Deceft: now improved by D with Mary Turinton. Late wid<sup>d</sup> & Relict to of D Hozekiah Deceft

Pursuant to of above D Request we went with the said John Miller to the houses of the above said wid<sup>d</sup> Mary Turinton. the Day & Date above said & after hearing of parties and inquiring into the affair found by the statement John Miller & of above said wid<sup>d</sup> Turinton that there had been a Division for fencing on of Line between of above D & the tenth Lot owned & improved by of above said John & Hozekiah some years before & a Station made near in of Middle of the Line between said Lots which was a small Reed or a pole & a fence made from D pole or Station by the above to the head bound between the D 9 & 10 as above said by the above D Hozekiah some years before at or near in the Line between of above said between of above said Lots and also a fence made from the above said pole or Station by the above D above said John Miller Town to D bound at of above said which appears to be true some years before of above said Date. And after measuring the fence made by the parties as above said & erected as a station fence between their Land we find D Division to be true in Equil half by of above D & of the above said Lot and further more we marked the D above said pole with the Letter M: on D north side of the pole with the Letter N: on D south side of the pole and so on



Large Stones about 10 Near in the ~~middle~~ of said Lots &  
find said pole & Stones to stand Near about twenty  
Seven pole from the Southerly End of a ditch  
Dug by of said John Miller in the Swamp & in the  
line between of above said 7 & 10<sup>th</sup> Lots  
And we Do also Make & Establish of above said pole  
and Stones to be a station & bound for the above said  
to begin their fences as at heretofore they had done  
and the said Miller & his heirs to fence Northerly to the  
brook and the above said <sup>main</sup> Burnenton & his to begin at  
said pole & extend to the head bound of the above said  
Lots with their fences and this to be a final settle-  
ment of the petition fence between the above said parties  
which is in our judgment a just & equal Division in  
virtue we have hereunto set our hands the Day & Date  
above said

Joseph Freeman }  
Charles Ellis }  
J. H. C. }  
J. H. C. }  
J. H. C. }

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house within  
the fifth Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of  
October 1768 and the Town voted and made choice of  
Capt. Ebenezer Spooner moderator for said meeting

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to raise Sixty Pounds Lawfull  
money by a Tax or assessment on the polls & Estates of the  
Inhabitants of said Town for the Support of Schools for the  
year ensuing

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & Directed Daniel Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> the  
Representative of said Town to make application to the great  
and General Court for the repeal of the late Law of the  
Province <sup>for and year</sup> 1722 An Act in Addition to the act intitled An Act  
to prevent the unnecessary Destruction of Alwives in the  
Town of Middleborough

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to give Daniel Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> the Representative  
of said Town Instructions Relating the Stamp Act, and that he should  
be to choose a Committee of seven men to draw up a petition  
and Report and Ap<sup>l</sup> Ebenezer Spooner, Capt. Samuel Bunker,  
Mr. Ebenezer Spooner, William Harlow, John Miller John  
Montgomery, & Debulon Leonard for said Committee  
3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting it was put to vote whether the Town  
will take David Simmons out of Prison and it pass in  
the Negative

Then by vote said meeting was adjourned to Monday the  
21<sup>st</sup> Day of October next at one of the Clock in the afternoon  
and more to be held at said proprietors meeting house and  
the moderator Declared said meeting to be adjourned to 10 times

1<sup>ly</sup> at a Town meeting held by adjournment at the Propri-  
etors meeting house within the fifth Precinct in Middle-  
borough on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of October 1768

at said meeting voted the following Instructions to  
Daniel Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> the Representative

To Daniel Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> Representative of the Town  
of Middleborough. I Do hereby Express of Observation, might  
be sensible how extremely Disagreeable the late act of  
Parliament, whereby certain Stamp Duties are laid on the  
Several Colonies on this Continent, has been, and still  
is to the People of this Province. We do acknowledge  
our selves to be True & Loyal Subjects to our King and  
to have the highest Esteem and Regard for both both  
House of Parliament notwithstanding which we look  
upon the aforementioned act to be a Grievous and intoler-  
able Burden upon us, and an Infringement on our Charter  
Rights and Privileges, granted to our forefathers &  
continued to us their posterity; and as we humbly conceive  
has not been justified either by them nor us.

and fearing the dangerous Consequences that may follow  
to this Province if the General assembly should by an  
act of their own Bring upon us a Burden so unjust  
as the operation of the Stamp act will be.  
We the free Holders and Other Inhabitants of  
Town meeting assembled do earnestly Recommend



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and give it as our instructions to you. I<sup>m</sup> not to  
Comply with, any measures that may be proposed to  
the Court to take, in order to make way for a Com-  
pense with the above mentioned act, and that by  
Lawfull means consistent with loyalty to the King  
you oppose its taking place, till we can know who  
will be the adviser to the Mayor, Town, and others  
of this whole Country for relief. and we  
Recommend to you not to consent to any measure  
for the Granting or Porting Stamps officers  
or Stamp Papers.

The Sales of the Land if duly Granted, are found  
Sufficient to Support any Summations & Disputes  
Incident.

and in consideration of the Scarcity of money and  
the Difficulty most People are put to pay their  
debts we must leave it upon you I<sup>m</sup> not to consent  
any extraordinary Grants being made for any  
bits on the Publick Treasures of this Province  
It be for Defraying the necessary Charges of the  
Government.

2ly at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto John  
Miller two Shillings & eight pence out of the Town  
Treasury for his serving as a Committee in leav-  
ing the small pox accounts

3ly at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Joseph  
Finkham one pound ten Shillings & one penny for his  
service in attending the Superior Court to answer the  
Town's debtment, as also for Copying & other services

at said meeting voted to allow & pay Joseph Wood  
two Shillings out of the Town Treasury for two days perambulating  
the line between Hamton & Middleborough

4th at said meeting voted to remitt 10/1 that Abraham Bar-  
ber was paid in Shewer mortens Rate Bill, and the said  
to have the same allowed & paid him out of the Town  
Treasury

6ly at said meeting voted to remitt 1:10:1 that David Simons  
was paid in within Benult's Rate Bill & the said William  
to have the same remitted with the Town Treasury

7ly at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Noyes  
six Shillings for 2 days perambulating on the line  
between Hamton & Middleborough in the year 1764

8ly at said meeting voted that there be a petition pre-  
sented to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to make  
a new Bridge (to be called) a County Bridge in case  
the Town of Bridgewater should join in said affair  
then the mod<sup>r</sup> Joseph D. meeting  
attest Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

at a Town Meeting held at the Proprietors meeting  
House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on  
Monday the Second Day of December 1765  
Jesse & Thomas Tupper were appointed by drawing  
out of the Box 21 the Law Directs to send out  
the jury of Trial at the next Court of Gen-  
eral Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common  
Pleas to be holden at Plymouth in & for the Town  
of Plymouth on the Second Day of Dec-  
ember next

at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house  
within the East Precinct in the Town of Middleborough  
on Monday the 9th Day of December 1765 and Cap<sup>t</sup> John  
Sprague was chosen moderator of said meeting

at said meeting voted & made choice of m<sup>r</sup> John  
Farnson & Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> as agents to carry  
to a Citation issued from the Court of the County of  
General Sessions of the Peace at the Court of Common  
Pleas relating to a petition of the Selectmen of  
Plymouth to said Court relating to the widow  
Finkham

then the meeting was adjourned



At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting  
in the West Freechurch in middleborough on Monday  
the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1765 and Mr. Thomas  
Nelson was chosen moderator of said meeting

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting it was put to vote whether  
the said Town will vote to raise fifty three pounds  
six shillings & eight pence lawfull money for  
discharge the Execution issued from the Province  
Treasurer against David Simmons which do  
said David may be released from his confinement  
in Prison and it passed in the Negative

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt the whole of Sim-  
mons Debt being £10:18:0 in Samuel Sinklam  
to the said David and the said Samuel to Receive the same  
out of the Town Treasurer

3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 95 shillings  
to the said David in Zealandish Prilllocks Rate which  
the said Zealandish to have the same Remitted with  
the Town Treasurer

4<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting it was voted to sell the Privilege  
of taking of the fish called cliveries to the highest  
bidder agreeable to a late Law of this Province  
and that whoever should buy the Privilege as  
aforesaid shall not pickel any of said fish for sale  
nor when ever there is any home market for  
the same: and whenever should buy the privilege  
of taking said fish as aforesaid shall give 1/2  
pence yearly to the Town for the use of the  
poor of the money, and one half of the money  
that is given for said privilege shall be paid  
into the Town Treasurer for the Towns use  
by the first Day of June next: and the other  
half to be paid as aforesaid by the first Day of  
tumble next

5<sup>ly</sup> Then the Town by vote appointed Capt. Chandler  
Speaker thereof master in selling the privilege  
of taking said fish



bly on a motion made and seconded the Town voted to  
 adjourn said meeting to the house of Capt. Ebenezer  
 Sprunt to meet immediately and the mod<sup>r</sup> declared  
 said meeting to be adjourned accordingly:  
 and the Town met <sup>at Capt. Sprunt's</sup> according to adjournment and  
 the mod<sup>r</sup> took his place and immediately proceeded  
 to sell the fish to the highest bidder: and John Elmer  
 was the highest bidder but not being able to pay  
 were such security as the Town would accept <sup>from</sup>  
 before the sale to the said John was declined and  
 therefore it was voted to immediately proceed to sell  
 said fish as before voted, and the privilege of  
 taking of said fish was sold to John Westinghouse  
 for the consideration of £ 67: 6: 8 he being the  
 highest bidder; and Nehemiah Leonard & Nathaniel  
 Bumpas appeared as sureties for the said John  
 and the Town by vote accepted of the said Nehemiah  
 and Nathaniel as sureties for the said John for  
 his paying into the Town Treasurer the amount  
 sum of £ 67: 6: 8 in the manner as set forth in the  
 4<sup>th</sup> vote of this meeting

Then the moderator declared said meeting to be  
 Defunct

att<sup>st</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in  
 the East Parish in the Town of Middleborough on Monday the  
 17<sup>th</sup> day of March A. D. 1766 and Nathaniel Wood & Ezra Clark  
 were chosen to serve on the Grand jury at the Court of General  
 Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth for and within the  
 County of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of April which and at the same  
 Courts of General Sessions of the Peace suspiciously to be holden there  
 for one; and William Shorb, Robert Hoar & Moses Edgely  
 were appointed as the Law Jurors, by drawing out of the Box  
 to serve on the jury of Trials, at said Court, and at the  
 Superior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth  
 on the second Tuesday of April next



February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of Marriage between  
Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup> of Plymouth & Jeremiah Knollton of mid-  
dleborough. J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Feb<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Nathan  
Barrows & Miss Hannah Green both of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 8<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Simon Brigham and  
Nancy Jones both of middleborough for also a purpose of marriage  
between Josiah Holloway J<sup>r</sup> of middleborough and Elizabeth  
of Buxley as also a purpose of marriage between William  
Mene Alden in Wancham and Lydia Lunt resident in  
middleborough J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 20<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Miller of middleborough, and Miss Mary  
Boney of Hampton. J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

March 29<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Benj<sup>n</sup>  
Tupper of Wancham, & Joanna Darling of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of Marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John  
French Jun<sup>r</sup> & Miss Hayden. These both of middleborough  
as also a purpose of Marriage between John Warren  
of middleborough & Lilpah Hooper of Bridgewater  
also a purpose of Marriage between John Jacobson  
Person & Abigail Fennell of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

July 5<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
William Smith J<sup>r</sup> and Miss Remembrance Holmes both of  
middleborough J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

July 27<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between James  
Holmes of middleborough & Rhoda Murray of Rochester  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Josiah  
Willis & Abigail Leach both of middleborough  
also a purpose of marriage between Rufus Dickinson of mid-  
dleborough and Elizabeth Walden of Tipton  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Samuel  
of middleborough & Theodore Dean of Falmouth  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

September 6<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Joseph  
Clark of Falmouth, and Miss Hannah Harlow of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Sept<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Shashal  
Pomson of middleborough, and Miss Faith Hall J<sup>r</sup> of  
Bridgewater J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 6<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph Benjamin  
of middleborough & Hannah Smith of Wancham J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

October 10<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathaniel  
Tucker, and Giddah Warren both of middleborough as also  
a purpose of marriage between Isaac May of middleborough  
and Gemina Frath of Falmouth  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

November 11<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathan  
Frank of Dartmouth and Abigail Sherman of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between James Hiden  
of Rochester, and Hannah Cushman of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Jonathan  
Punnett & Mary Lemay both of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin  
Jones of middleborough, and Abigail Cole of Falmouth  
middleborough J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

May 27<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Fugate  
and Melitob. Johnson both of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk

December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Henry  
Leonard Jun<sup>r</sup> & Silence Alden both of middleborough  
J<sup>s</sup> Joseph Finkham Town Clerk



December 27<sup>th</sup> 1766 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Stephen Hathaway of Andover, & Hopefull Peirce of Middleborough  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between John House of Andover, and Eunice Pratt of Middleborough  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

January 9<sup>th</sup> 1767 Then Stephen Richmond & Hannah Beals both of Middleborough were published by me Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

10 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Shonndes & Free ten, & Effie Mayford of Middleborough  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

January 26<sup>th</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Rely of Haverhill & Mary Fuller of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between James Apple and Anne Caswell both of Middleborough  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

March 8<sup>th</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Eliza Stock of Middleborough & Anne King of Andover  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

March 14<sup>th</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathan Vaughan & Susanna Barrows both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between John Strong Resident in Middleborough, and Deborah Sinkham of Middleborough  
p Joseph Sinkham Town Clerk

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Benjamin Miller & Esther Crag both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between James Bryant and Esther Sampson both of Middleborough  
p John Morton Town Clerk

April 20<sup>th</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr Joshua Briggs of Andover & Mrs Hope Benson of Middleborough  
p John Morton Town Clerk

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1767 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Nathan Holly & Susanna Briggs both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Zebulon Bryant of Middleborough & Mary Conant of Andover: as also a purpose of marriage between William Roundell of Andover and Deborah of Middleborough  
p John Morton Town Clerk



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May 9

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Eben<sup>d</sup> Colpe<sup>r</sup> and  
Joannah Cushman Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 16<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Caleb Bryant of  
Plymton & Hannah Ellis of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 21<sup>st</sup>

Then was Published a purpose of marriage Between John C<sup>o</sup>  
& Joel Tenkham Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> Joseph Tenkham Town Clerk

Recorded by Me<sup>y</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 23

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Zephaniah Thomas of  
Middleborough and Mary Sawyer of Wareham  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 26<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Mr. Joseph Alden and  
Mrs. Deborah Williamson Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 28<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Ezra Tilton and  
Anner Bama Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

June 12<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Mr. Jacob Smith  
and Mrs. Lydia Searcy Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

June 27<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Nathanael  
Tomson Resident in Middleborough & Phoebe Jones of said Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

July 7<sup>th</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Joshua  
Durinton of Middleborough & Rachel Parker of Freetown  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

August 1<sup>st</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Mr. Ebenezer Whipple  
& Mrs. Sally Bennet Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

August 1<sup>st</sup>

Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Ebenezer  
Junt & Lucy Fuller Both of Middleborough  
P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

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At a Town Meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the  
 East Frequent in Middleborough on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of  
 March by the freemen and other inhabitants of said Town  
 for the choice of Town officers, other business as granted  
 in the warrant, and Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout was  
 Chosen moderator of said meeting

and on a motion made and seconded for the adjournment of  
 said meeting by reason of the badness of the traveling the  
 the major part of the inhabitants could not assemble by  
 then by reason thereof, and it was therefore voted that  
 meeting should be adjourned to Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of  
 March forth at ten of the clock in the fore noon to  
 be held at said meeting house; and the mod<sup>r</sup> declared said  
 meeting to be adjourned to that time.

March 26<sup>th</sup> 1766 the Town met according to adjournment  
 and the moderator took his place, and then proceeded  
 to the choice of Town officers &c

1<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> Town Clerk

2<sup>ly</sup> Ebenezer Sprout

Cap<sup>t</sup> Nathaniel Smith

3<sup>ly</sup> John Montgomery

4<sup>th</sup> Joshua White

Select men

3<sup>ly</sup> Jacob Bennett

Deborah Leonard

5<sup>th</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup>

Assessors

4<sup>ly</sup> Mr. William Stark

Caleb Tompson

Joseph Richmond

Timothy Bryant

6<sup>th</sup> Josiah Halloway

Chosen Wardens

5<sup>th</sup> Elsiea Pierce

Cap<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Smith

Ephraim Wood jun<sup>r</sup>

Edward Sherman

Chosen Constables

memorandum

memorandum The Town by vote made choice of Shuaub  
 Ames & Peter Vaughan to serve as Constables for the present  
 year but on their excuse they made. To the Town they were  
 Excused from serving for said office for this present year

Then voted & made choice of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Berzilia Thomey, (consider  
 6<sup>ly</sup> Benson, Jacob Tomson jun<sup>r</sup>, Jeremiah Finkham, Jacob Cushman,  
 Timothy Crocker, Job Allen, William Tarleton, Thomas Perkins,  
 William Hoar, John Howland, John Richmond jun<sup>r</sup>, Zechariah  
 Eddy, Nathan Haskins, Benjamin Thomas, Thomas Padgett,  
 Matthias Ellis, Coombe Barrows, Nathan Vaughan and  
 James Smith Surveyors of high ways

Zechariah Padgett Chosen Salar of Litter

7<sup>ly</sup> Joseph Lovel

8<sup>ly</sup> Thomas Blackman

Henry Wood

Daniel Vaughan

John Halloway

John Hayford

Were Chosen Tithing men

at said meeting voted and made choice of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Joseph  
 9<sup>ly</sup> Lovel, Caleb Tomson & Ames Finkham for a committee  
 to prepare to the New Dam (to be called) owned by m<sup>r</sup> Elias  
 Miller & others, made across Nemasket River and see  
 that there be a sufficient passage way made through  
 said Dam for the passing of the fish called alwinn  
 up and down the River throughout said Dam, and make Report  
 of their doings at the adjournment of this meeting

Then the Town by vote adjourned said meeting to may to  
 be held at ten of the clock on the same Day that the  
 Town meets for the choice of a Representative, and  
 the moderator declared said meeting to be adjourned to said  
 time &c

attest Joseph Finkham Town Clerk



At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the east precinct in said town on Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1766 and m<sup>r</sup> Capt. Tompson & Capt. Nathaniel Smith to serve on the grand jury. and Elias Miller & Joseph Bates jun<sup>r</sup> were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the jury of Trial at the Superior Court of Judicature Court of assizes and General Delivery Next holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the third Tuesday of May Next.

At a Town Meeting held at the Proprietors Meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1766 and Capt. Ebenezer Sprague was chosen moderator of said meeting.

1<sup>ly</sup> Then at said meeting voted that the select men of Middleborough do agree with the select men of Plymouth on the most reasonable terms they can, relating to the charge made by the widow Elizabeth Sunham being supported at Plymouth who is a Town charge, and settle said affair according to the B<sup>o</sup> of their Separation.

2<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and agreed of a settlement made with m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson former Town Treasurer by the select men of Middleborough; which is as followeth. He has submitted select men of Middleborough met at the house of m<sup>r</sup> John Tompson Treasurer to settle said accounts in April 11<sup>th</sup> 1766 and after examining said Treasurers accounts we find said Treasurer hath Received from the several Constables & for fines, and for the Sale of Herring & other things the sum of five hundred twenty one pounds one shilling & nine pence three farthings: and paid by order of said Town the sum of five hundred eleven pounds two shillings & five pence three farthings; & there Remains Due to said Town from said Treasurer the sum of nine pounds nineteen shillings & four pence which said sum said Treasurer hath paid to Ebenezer Sprague.

Sprague the present Treasurer as app<sup>d</sup> a bond upon Nathan Pinney & others for forty pounds which sum is ordered to said Town.

and what Remains in the Constables Hands is £ 37.13.3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Joshua White } select men of Middleborough  
Ebenezer Sprague }

Year		as follows		what they have paid		what Remains Due	
1760	Rich <sup>d</sup> Standish	added to my	what they have paid			0-15-0	
	Samuel Bennett					1-3-0	
	John Leonard					1-1-0	
	Timothy Bryant					1-6-0	
	John Jackson	12-10-9	11-19-0			0-11-9	
1761	Charles Smith	20-2-7	19-19-4			0-3-3	
	Nathaniel Briggs	34-9-4	32-0-11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>			2-9-2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
1762	Hersiah Purinton	26-6-7	24-19-3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>			1-7-1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
	William Landry	32-13-4	28-13-0			3-12-4	
1763	Zeriah Paddock	26-14-0	20-4-9			3-9-3	
1764	William Bennett	29-19-9	19-0-0			10-19-9	
1764	Samuel Pinckham	28-9-8	24-11-5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>			3-18-3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
1764	Edward Washburn	35-14-2	32-16-10			2-17-4	
						£ 37.13.3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	

Sum Total Remaining in the Constables Hands is £ 37.13.3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

3<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would (at this meeting) act on the Petition of Thomas Daggett & others & if pass in the Negative and then the moderator dissolved the meeting.

attest Joseph Pinckham Town Clerk



(120)  
 at a Town meeting held at Middleborough May  
 19<sup>th</sup> 1766 in the Proprietors meeting house in the East  
 Precinct in said Town, and Capt. Ebenezer Sprague  
 was chosen for to represent said Town at the great  
 and General Court, or assembly to be kept and hold  
 for his majestys service at the Court house in Boston  
 on the twenty eighth of May instant, and so during  
 that Session & Sessions of said Court: for the carrying

At a Town Meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house in the  
 East Precinct in Middleborough ~~on Monday the~~  
 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1766 by adjournment from March 28<sup>th</sup> 1766 and  
 the moderator took his Place and then proceeded as  
 followeth

1<sup>ly</sup> Job Simmons gun  
 William Masonher } hay reves  
 James Weston  
 John Ellis

2<sup>ly</sup> Conder Benson } Dear Rees  
 John Williams

3<sup>ly</sup> Jacob Saul } Hope to the true observance of the Province  
 Peter Bennet } laws relating to ships going on the Common

4<sup>ly</sup> Ebenezer Raymond } House Viewers  
 Zechariah Padlock  
 John Doyle  
 Ephraim Mayo

5<sup>ly</sup> Oxenbriggs Thacker Surveyor of wharves & Harbors

6<sup>ly</sup> Lt Samuel Smith Surveyor of Mingles & Chords

7<sup>ly</sup> Josiah Wood chosen Poundkeeper

8<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay Do<sup>r</sup> Stephen Jones  
 twenty four shillings out of the Town Treasurer for his

£144 20 for bring & Boarding Prisoner warren in full of his  
 account



- (D. 1)
- 9<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay on<sup>m</sup> John Thompson twenty six shillings & eight pence out of the Town Treasurer in full of his account for serving as Treasurer in the year 1765 & settling the Treasurers accounts, and living the Towns agent at plimouth Court in December last
- 10<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Bonack twenty four shillings out of Town Treasurer in full for his making Rates in the year 1765
- 11<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto George Pinkham thirty five shillings & four pence out of the Town Treasurer in full for his making the Rates and other things according to his account for the year 1765
- 12<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay William Supper out of the Town Treasurer two shillings it being for the Remission of Rates
- 13<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Edward Wright one of the Constables out of the Town Treasurer the following Remittances of Rates viz<sup>t</sup> Joseph Pratt in the year 1764 — 0-8-8.  
 Joseph Pratt in the year 1765 — 8-2  
 Nathaniel Mayo in the year 1765 — 9-5  
 Lucy Peire in the year 1765 — 8-2  
 Joseph Haskings in the year 1765 — 12-10  
 Isaac Howland in the year 1765 — 11-0  
 Jeremiah Jones in the year 1764 & 1765 — 13-6-3
- 14<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 14/5 that Joseph Jones was Rated in John Smiths rate & that the said John to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer; and also voted to allow & pay John Smith 7/6 out of the Treasurer off to make up what the Rate says fell short
- 15<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remitt 8/2 that Ephraim Knapp was Rated in John Bennett Rate & that the said John to have the same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer
- 16<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to excuse Cap<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Pratt from serving as Constable for this present year
- 17<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted & made choice of Isaac Saul to be Constable in the Room of Cap<sup>t</sup> Pratt who the Towns Excused
- 18<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay to Zebedee Leonard out of the Town Treasurer 18/8 in full for his making Rates in the year 1765



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At a town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house  
in Middleborough on Monday the fourth day of August 1768  
and Capt. Nathaniel Smith was chosen moderator of said meeting  
The Town Clerk being absent the Town by vote of said  
choice of the best tinkham for clerk to take the minutes  
of said meeting which is as followeth viz

then at said meeting voted and Accepted of m<sup>r</sup>  
Edward Washburn as Constable in the Room &  
stead of m<sup>r</sup> Elipha Prince who was chosen menk  
left with complaints of his inability of serving by  
reason of Bodily Infirmitie; provided the said  
Washburn provide Sufficient Sureties for his faith  
full performance in said office, and Mess<sup>rs</sup> John  
Montgomery & John Tinkham appearing as sureties  
for said Washburn, and the Town by vote accep  
ted of them accordingly

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house  
in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the  
Eleventh day of August 1768  
and Capt. Ebenezer Sprout was chosen moderator  
of said meeting

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made of m<sup>r</sup> J. Heber  
Wood and Joseph Tinkham Esq<sup>r</sup> for agents to  
appear for said Town at the Next Court of Genl  
at Sessions of the State to be holden at Plymouth  
this and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tue  
Day of October Next to make answer to a Petition  
out from J. Justices of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace  
within and for the County of Plymouth, libel at Plymouth within  
for said County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of July last past  
Relating to a Petition of the Elder, women of the Town of Plympton  
and Concerning m<sup>r</sup> J. Heber Wood & family



26 At said meeting voted not to <sup>22</sup>~~give~~<sup>3</sup> money Slaves (except) who  
said James should not be reelected the sum of £100-4-6  
to assist in purchase of Liberatees

364 at said meeting voted to choose a Committee of five men  
to draw up instructions to give the Representatives of said Town  
relating to paying of the Damages done to the Lieut.  
Governor & Others the last year; and Messrs. S. S. was  
Capt. Nathaniel Smith, Jehad Wood, Zebulon Leonard  
and Zechariah Solly were chosen for said Committee  
and were desired to withdraw & prepare and make  
Report in one lawers time: which Report is as  
followeth (viz) "To Capt. Ebenezer Sprague, Repre-  
sentative of the Town of Middleboro, &c. whereas  
"you have desired said Town by Order of the General  
Court to give you instructions in what method to  
conduct relating the Damages done to the Lieut. Governor  
and Others in the Town of Boston in a riotous way  
the year past; and as it was not done by the  
Province in General; we look upon the Laws of  
the Land to be sufficient for the Sufferers to recover  
there Damages, and not to make the Governor  
for the gift; and that you would appear against  
making any Grant therefor in the above Report  
was voted accepted for the instructions for the  
Representative of said Town

Representative of L. Town  
At a Town meeting Voted that the Sixty Pounds <sup>that year</sup> to be  
raised at a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting place  
in said Town of Middleborough on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November  
for the use of School or Schools in said Town be appropriated  
for the use of an English School & to be divided equally in the  
year 1808 between Districts in L. Town in the manner & for  
as near done the last year.

34 At said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson  
for to receive fifteen pounds out of the Town Treasurer for the  
of the North East Congregational District <sup>in the year</sup> for the use of English School  
to be kept in said District: and the said Caleb Tompson is hereby  
ordered to notify said District to meet together in order to  
settle how & in what manner said School shall be kept &  
ordered



6<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted & made choice of Cap<sup>t</sup> Gideon Southworth to receive of the Town Treasurer fifteen pounds for the use of the west Precinct Constable District in said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept in said District: and the said Southworth is hereby empowered to notify said District to meet together for the ordering said schools & how many shall be kept in said District

7<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted & made choice of Seth Morton to receive fifteen pounds out of the Town Treasurer for the use of District Constable District in said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept in said District: and the said Seth Morton is hereby empowered to notify said District to meet together for the ordering said schools & how many shall be kept in said District

8<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Thomas to receive fifteen pounds out of the Town Treasurer for the use of English Schools the South East Constable District in said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept in said District: and the said Benjamin Thomas is hereby empowered to notify the inhabitants of said District to meet together for the ordering said schools & how many shall be kept in said District

and then the meeting was adjourned  
attest Joseph Pinkham Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1796 and Stephen Mason (Charles Ellis & Seth Morton) were appointed by moving out of the box on the law Direct to serve on the petit jury of Trials at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace & Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the first day of October next.

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1796 and Joseph Pinkham was chosen moderator

1<sup>st</sup> At said meeting voted and made choice of Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout to receive of the Town Treasurer fifteen pounds for the use of the north Precinct Constable District in said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept in said District: and the said Ebenezer Sprout is hereby empowered to notify said District to meet together for the ordering said schools & how many shall be kept in said District

2<sup>nd</sup> At said meeting voted and made choice of Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sprout, Joseph Pinkham Esq & m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Wood for agents for said Town to appear at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of October next, to answer a Citation issued from the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and held at Plymouth within & for the County of Plymouth on the first day of July last, relating to a petition on the first day of July last, relating to a petition of the selectmen of Middleborough to said Court concerning M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Marshall & Sarah his wife & three children and to defend said action in the Law at said October Court and other Courts as there may be occasion.

3<sup>rd</sup> At said meeting voted and empowered the above named agents not only to defend said action in the Law but also to prosecute the agents or selectmen as they in their wisdom shall think proper

4<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted and empowered the above named agents to draw out of the Town Treasurer the sum of five pounds lawful money to enable them to carry on said action with Middleborough

5<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to raise sixty pounds lawful money for the defraying of the necessary charges arising & arising in said Town for this year ensuing

6<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to raise sixty pounds lawful money for the defraying of the necessary charges arising & arising in said Town for this year ensuing

7<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted and made choice of m<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompkins to receive fifteen pounds out of the Town Treasurer for the use of the north Precinct Constable District in said Town for the use of an English School or schools to be kept in said District: and the said Caleb Tompkins is hereby empowered to notify said District to meet together for the ordering said schools and how many shall be kept in said District



- 8<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting the Town voted and made choice of Capt<sup>l</sup> Nathaniel Smith to receive of the Town Treasurer the sum of fifteen pounds lawfull money for the use of an English school or schools to be kept in the west Constable District in said Town for the year ensuing; and the said Smith is hereby empowered to notify and warn the inhabitants to meet together for the ordering of the schools & how many to be kept in said District
- 9<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Mr. Joseph Bates Junr. to receive of the Town Treasurer fifteen pounds lawfull money for the use of an English school or schools to be kept in the west Constable District for the year ensuing; and the said Joseph Bates Junr. is hereby empowered to notify and warn the inhabitants of said District to meet together for the ordering of the schools and how many there shall be kept in said District
- 10<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Mr. Benjamin Thomas to receive of the Town Treasurer fifteen pounds lawfull money for the use of an English school or schools to be kept in the south west Constable District for the year ensuing; and the said Benjamin Thomas is hereby empowered to notify and warn the inhabitants of said District to meet together for the ordering of the schools and how many there shall be kept in said District
- 11<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to sell the Privilege of taking the fifth called Slaves to the High Court ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> to the use of this province, and whoever is the High Officer shall forth give sufficient security to the Town to there execute and shall observe the directions in said Law relating to the obtaining Liberty of the Owner of the Slaves ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> the taking of fifth: and also shall pay for D. fifth one half the sum they give for them by the first day of June next and the other half by the first day of September next.
- 12<sup>th</sup> then the Town by voted appointed Capt. Phineas Sprague Verine. master for the selling said fifth; then the meeting was adjourned to the dwelling house of Capt. Phineas Sprague to be held immediately, and the meeting declared said meeting to be adjourned as aforesaid



the Town meet according to appointment and the moderator took his place and then proceeded to the taking of said fifth and John Bennett was the high bidder therefore the purchase of the said fifth was sold to him for the consideration of the sum of £76.13.4 and Mr. Nathaniel Bennett & Zebulon Leonard appeared as sureties for the said John Bennett and the Town vote accepted of the said Nathaniel & Zebulon as sureties for the payment of the aforesaid sum as aforesaid

13<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to remitt 10/6 being the whole of John Bennett's Rate in John Bennett's Rate Bills for the year 1765 and the said John Bennett to have the same diffracted with the Town Treasurer

14<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to remitt 1/4 that Condr Brannock's Rate in John Smith's Rate Bills for the year 1765 and the said Brannock to have the same paid him out of the Town Treasurer

15<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to remitt 14/6 being the whole of Eliza Bennett's Rate in William Bennett's Rate Bill and the said Bennett to have the same diffracted with the Town Treasurer

16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to close and pay unto St. Benjamin White 2/4 out of the Town Treasurer for making the Shaks agreeable to his award  
at the Ebenezer Sprout's moderator  
then the moderator diffract said meeting

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough December 1. 1766 and said meeting appointed Samuel Shaw junr, Richard Warren and Joseph Warren by drawing out of the Box as the Jury to serve on the jury of Trial at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be held at Plymouth in and for the County of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of December just last

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of December 1766 by the qualified freemen and other inhabitants of said Town and Capt Ebenezer Sprout was chosen moderator of said meeting and the







At a Town Meeting of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of  
 Town of Middleborough Qualified as Law Directs and legally  
 assembled on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of March 1807 in the Town  
 Meeting House in the East District in Middleborough for  
 Choice of Town Officers and other Business as Directed in  
 the Warrants The Following Persons were Chosen To serve  
 in the respective Offices Hereafter named

- 1 Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sproutt. Moderator
- 2 John Morton Town Clerk
- 3 Cap<sup>t</sup> Nathaniel Smith  
 Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sproutt.  
 M<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Wood  
 M<sup>r</sup> Joshua White  
 M<sup>r</sup> Edward Washburn. Select Men
- 4 Jacob Bennett  
 Zebulon Leonard  
 William Shaw. Assessors
- 5 Zachariah Paddock  
 Joseph Lovell  
 James Arrowood  
 Ebenezer Shaw  
 John Macculley. Wardens
- 6 Josiah Tinkham  
 John Dugell  
 Silas Wood  
 Peter Vaughan. Constables
- 7 Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezer Sproutt. Town Treasurer

memorandum The Town made choice of Josiah Vaughan To  
 serve as Constable for the present year but on his Excuse He  
 made to the Town He was Excused from serving for  
 the present year



8. *At the 4th Meeting the Town made choice of*  
 John Bennett, David Miller Junr, Jehabed Cushman,  
 Thomas Tupper, Nathaniel, Ruffington, Theophilus Crocker  
 John Alden, Joseph Briggs, Ezra Clarke, Jacob Shareman,  
 John Montgomery, Elijah Peckett, Thomas Ellis  
 John Madsen, Ebenezer Thomas, Jacob Tilton, Isaac Hyatt,  
 Ebenezer Wood Junr, Ebenezer Thomas Junr, Wm. Wain, Wood  
 Surveyors of High ways.

9. *Zechariah, Paddock, & Scatter of Scatter*

10. Thomas Blackmon,  
 Nathan, Richmond } *Sything men*  
 John Thomas  
 James Cold  
 Joseph Harris  
 George Shaw Junr.

11. John Simmons Junr, } *Hog Prever*  
 Jonathan, Reed  
 Joshua Waldorman,

12. Abner Wood } *Deer Prever*  
 Thomas Shaw

13. Josiah, Wood } *Horse Prever*  
 Jacob Tilton,

14. *Zechariah, Eddy, John, Smith, & Some Others*  
 Ebenezer Alden, David Bryant,

15. John, Sinkham, } *Surveyor of Wheat and Flower*

16. Samuel, Smith, } *Surveyor of Hingle, and Cabbord*

17. Ebenezer Shaw, } *Surveyor of Lumber*

18. *At the 5th Meeting the Town made choice of Messrs*  
 Caleb Thomson, Joseph Lovell, and Josiah Thomas  
 To be that the Fifth Fall, Abner Wood, a Free Pysage, up and  
 down, Homaghet River.

19. *At 5th Meeting Voted To allow one Day To Mr. Jehabed Wood out of*  
 The Town Treasury Seven Shillings and Eight Pence for what He  
 Paid For measuring Warrants and His time in Examining the  
 Towns To account accounts



At 20<sup>th</sup> At P<sup>o</sup> Meeting Voted To allow and Pay To  
on 14<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Zebulon Leonard out of The Town Treasury Fourteen  
Shillings and Eight Pence, For His Service in Making Rates  
21 At P<sup>o</sup> Meeting Voted To allow and Pay To M<sup>r</sup> John White  
out of y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury Four Shillings For His Service in  
Examining y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury accounts and Laying out  
a High Way  
22 At P<sup>o</sup> Meeting Voted To allow and Pay To M<sup>r</sup> Ebenezer Sprout  
out of y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury Thirteen Shillings and Eight Pence,  
For His Service in Examining y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury accounts  
and What He Paid For Recording Warrants and Expenses at  
The Vendue of y<sup>e</sup> Alewives  
23 The Town by Vote adjourned To May 30  
Then The Town by Vote adjourned To May 30  
To Be Held at Two of y<sup>e</sup> Clock on y<sup>e</sup> same Day That y<sup>e</sup> Town  
meets For y<sup>e</sup> choice of a Representative and y<sup>e</sup> Moderator  
Declared P<sup>o</sup> Meeting To Be adjourned To 5<sup>th</sup> June P<sup>o</sup>  
Attest John Morton Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting house  
in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of May 1767 Capt<sup>n</sup> Nathaniel Smith & M<sup>r</sup> Caleb Tompson  
were chosen to serve on the Grand Jury & Lieut Benjamin  
and M<sup>r</sup> Ephraim Wood were appointed by Drawing out of  
Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of trials at  
Next Superior Court of Judicature & Court of assize  
and general Goals delivery to be holden at <sup>Plimouth</sup> for the Court  
of Plimouth on the third Tuesday of May Instant  
At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting in the East  
Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of May Instant  
1767 Capt<sup>n</sup> Ebenezer Sprout was chosen to Represent said Town  
in the great and General Court or assembly to be held and kept  
for his majestys service at the Court House in Boston on Wednesday  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May Instant and so during their Session or sitting  
of said Court for the year ensuing

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the  
East Precinct in Middleborough by adjournment from March  
25<sup>th</sup> 1767 to the 18<sup>th</sup> of May Instant then met the mod<sup>r</sup>  
Took his Place and then proceeded as followeth Viz  
it was put to vote whether the Town will choose a Surveyor  
High ways in the 12<sup>th</sup> month of John Howland who was  
chosen Last year it passed in the Negative  
Then the Town made choice of meet<sup>r</sup>  
Jehad Wadd and Silas Finkham Surveyors of Lumber  
Then put to vote whether <sup>the Town</sup> will have any of the fifth  
Called alewives Taken as they come down Nemasket river  
This year and it Passed in the Negative  
at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Jacob Bennett  
for making the Province Town & County Rates  
for 8 days at 2 s<sup>d</sup> p<sup>o</sup> Day ----- 1-4  
for the year 1766  
voted to allow & pay unto Jacob Reynolds <sup>for his</sup>  
a Child border of Thomas Nelson than one of the select  
men 8 weeks 2 s<sup>d</sup> p<sup>o</sup> week ----- 1-6-0  
voted to allow & pay unto Thomas Redding for 6  
days work & finding 10 posts & 5 leaders rails and  
2 Iron Spikes the whole amounting to the sum of 1-4  
voted to allow & pay unto Sam<sup>l</sup> Finkham Jun<sup>r</sup>  
8/3 a remittance of rates of Moses Redding Jun<sup>r</sup>  
pole wrongfully Taxt ----- 0-8-8  
voted to allow & pay unto John Bennett it being  
a remittance of rates of Nathan Benson of Plimouth 1 s<sup>d</sup> Philemon Donham 8/2 ----- 0-17-10  
afterwards voted to allow & pay unto John Bennett  
8/2 which Philip Hye was wrongfully rated for  
Bennetts bills the two sums amounting to the whole ----- 6-0  
voted to allow & pay unto Samuel Ransom for the  
remittance of Benj<sup>t</sup> Eatons pole tax paid Ransom 8-8  
voted to remit one pole tax which M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Eaton was  
wrongfully rated in Ep<sup>l</sup> Wadsw<sup>o</sup>s bills which sum is ----- 0-7-6



12<sup>th</sup> Voted to allow & pay unto Mr. Jabez Thomas the sum of £-7-6  
 it being a remittance of a pole Tax in Ex. h<sup>on</sup> Wood's  
 rate Mills -

13<sup>th</sup> Voted to allow & pay unto Ex. h<sup>on</sup> Wood (Constable)  
 the sum of -

it being a Remittance of a Pole Tax of Jabez Wood

14<sup>th</sup> Voted to allow & pay unto Ex. h<sup>on</sup> Wood (Constable)  
 for carrying Mr. Josiah Marthas Family to Plimton

and for carrying one Eben. Smith to S. Plimton

The sum total amounting -

15<sup>th</sup> Voted to allow & pay unto Paul Hatha way (Constable)

it being a remittance of Joseph Snows Note in

P. Hatha ways bill in the year 1765

16<sup>th</sup> Alteration made by the select men

Then the Town by vote accepted of a highway from Edw.

Washburns to the West Perinch by Joseph Briggs

In the Room of that which was formerly traveled and

town it coming to a walnut tree on the South side of road

opposite to the House of Mr. Jeremiah Jones & provided

burn & Briggs do keep the Causeway in S. Road in as good re

pair as it now is, said way was Lay. by Capt. Nath. C. Smith

and bears date May 1767

17<sup>th</sup> Voted to receive Isaac Finkham from Serving Constable

This present year

18<sup>th</sup> Voted to receive John Douglas from Serving Constable for

this present year. S. Finkham & S. Douglas were received

on the plea of their infirmities and other disadvantages they were

under

19<sup>th</sup> Then the Town by vote made choice of Job Macomber to serve

as Constable in the Room and stead of John Douglas who was

20<sup>th</sup> Then the Town by vote made choice of Eben. Cox for Constable

and on account of the excuse he made he was received from serving

21<sup>st</sup> Then the Town by vote chose Phad Cuthman to serve as Constable

for this present year but on the excuse he made the Town received

him from serving for this year passing

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22<sup>ly</sup> <sup>the Town</sup> then by vote made choice of James Weston Jun<sup>r</sup> for Surveyor <sup>for the year</sup> in the Room of the said of Ichabod Cushman who was to leave in d<sup>o</sup> office or was employed.

23<sup>ly</sup> <sup>1773-74</sup> Then the Town voted to allow & pay unto Shubael Finkham <sup>Dec<sup>r</sup></sup> To the Last will & Testament of his Father viz<sup>t</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> for the afores<sup>d</sup> Joseph Finkham Esq<sup>r</sup> making the Province Town & County Rates for the year 1766 - 12 days and for finding Paper for the same as by account appears from under d<sup>o</sup> Executors hand £5-13-4 and then The Moderator Dismissed d<sup>o</sup> meeting

At a meeting held at the proprietors meetinghouse in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August for to see if the Town would give order to their Treasurer to Discharge for many of those as should pay their proportionable part of the money due to d<sup>o</sup> Town on a bond they gave the Town for the sale of ale wine and the Town would all any thing relating to the affair -

24<sup>ly</sup> then was put to vote whether the Town will act any thing relating to the other Paragraph contained in the winning bond - respecting and the following vote was Paped - relating to the agreement of the Major Part of the Select men of said town and Joseph Leach respecting one Peter Leach of d<sup>o</sup> Town who is under the Casely Protection of the afores<sup>d</sup> Select men; and the following vote was Paped viz<sup>t</sup> that the Town voted & accepted of the afores<sup>d</sup> mentioned agreement and that it should be Binding to all in law and d<sup>o</sup> paragraphs in Case the above said Joseph Leach brings a sufficient bond as man to d<sup>o</sup> and accepted of d<sup>o</sup> agreement no other way

Upon the d<sup>o</sup> then the Moderator Dismissed the meeting of the Town the  
attest John Norton Town Clerk



At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 1767 and Timothy Tilton and Joshua Shaw were appointed by drawing out of the Box to serve on the Jury of the Assize Court of general Sessions of the Peace and Criminal Common pleas to be holden at Plymouth In and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of July Next

At a Town meeting held at the proprietors meeting house in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1767 to see if the Town would hear the request of L<sup>d</sup> Henry Finny and other Relating to a Bond they gave the Town for the Sale of alewives in the year 1764 Joshua White was chosen moderator and Samuel Prath was Put to vote whether the Town will take any Bond to said Finny and other mentioned in D<sup>d</sup> Bond and Put to vote in the Negative

At said meeting put to vote whether the Town will give to their Town Treasurer will to Receive of any of those Persons mentioned in the D<sup>d</sup> Bond their proportionable part of the money they are Bound for the others giving sufficient security for the remainder that there will be due on said Bonds and the D<sup>d</sup> Treasurer to discharge those that shall pay their respective parts and it passed in the affirmative and then the moderator dissolved the meeting

attest John Morton Town Clerk

Middleborough 29<sup>th</sup> July 1767

Whereas Engr William Thomas of said Middleborough has made Request to the Subscribers David Bryant & Ebenezer Alden of said Middleborough who was chosen Juror Viewers and sworn to the faithful discharge of his office in the purchase purchase now owned and improved by S<sup>d</sup> William Thomas and by S<sup>d</sup> Samuel Prath of said Middleborough pursuant to the said Request we went with the said William Thomas and met with S<sup>d</sup> Samuel Prath the day and date above said and after hearing the parties we proceeded

followeth: beginning at the Road that is now Rod that Leads from said William Thomas to said Samuel Prath & measured thirty two Rods and set up a Stake and the above said parties mutually agreed that the said William should make and maintain the thirty two Rods of fence which is the one half of said fence between said parties: Then we went down to the Brook which is the Southerly end of said Land and began at a Stake and stone which is the Corner of said Thomas' Lot & measured thirty two Rods more and the said parties mutually agreed that the said Samuel Prath should make & maintain said thirty two Rods of fence as a bone said which is the whole of the Partition fence to be made between the party as a bone said the Partition fence between the above said parties proportionable part of said division fence is a Stake set up in the ground and we do make and establish the said Stake to be a Station Bound for the above said owners to begin their fences at here after and the said William Thomas and his heirs to fence Northerly to the Road above mentioned and the said Samuel Prath and his heirs to fence South - wly to a Stake and stone standing by the side of the Brook: and this to be a final Settlement of the partition fence between the above said parties which in our Judgment is a just and Equil Division in things we have here unto Set our hands the Day & date above

David Bryant } Fence  
Ebenezer Alden } Surveyor



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Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between  
Robert Williams of Middleborough & Patience Tilson  
of Plimpton  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Sept 12<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between  
Joshua Croso of Rochester & Jean Heskins of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Sept 19<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Samuel Spoon  
of Middleborough & Patience Burnett of Dartmouth  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Sept 26<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between  
m<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Reiche of Free town & m<sup>r</sup>. Hebel Montgomery  
of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

October 10<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Isaac Key  
and Elizabeth Reynolds Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Samuel  
Smith & m<sup>r</sup>s. Susanna Wood Both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Maphaiah  
Leonard of Middleborough and m<sup>r</sup>s. Patience Waterman  
of Halifax  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a Purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>.  
Samuel Bryant & m<sup>r</sup>s. Joanna Barrows Both of Middleborough  
as also a Purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Cushman  
and m<sup>r</sup>s. Deborah Barrows Both of Middleborough  
as also a Purpose of marriage Between Simeon Shaver  
and Thanyall Hall Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Abner  
Mills of Middleborough & m<sup>r</sup>s. Susanna Tucker of Milton  
as also a purpose of marriage Between Robert Hoar Jun<sup>r</sup>  
and Sarah Reed Both of Middleborough as also a purpose  
of marriage Between William Green a Transient person  
and Priscilla Darling of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

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Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between  
John Camp of Taunton & Hannah Finkham  
the 4<sup>th</sup> of Middleborough; as also a purpose of  
marriage Between Zebedee Booth and Mary Holloway  
Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Dec 19<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Nathan  
Whiting and m<sup>r</sup>s. Martha Bennett Both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage Between Jabez Eddy of  
Midgewater and Mehitabel Barrows of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Dec 26<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between Nathaniel Wilder  
and Priscilla Samson Both of Middleborough; as also a Purpose of  
marriage Between Levi Beane and Bathsheba Wood Both of  
Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Joseph  
Woodman of Middleborough and m<sup>r</sup>s. Salome Woods of Plimpton  
as also a purpose of marriage Between Sam<sup>l</sup> Raymond of Middle-  
borough and Joannas Hatton of Plimpton; as also a purpose  
of marriage Between John Vaughan Jun<sup>r</sup> and Experience Milton  
Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between George  
Simmons and Thanyall Howland Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

Feb 27<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Henry Burt  
of Free town and m<sup>r</sup>s. Salome Hinds of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
of marriage Between John Edmister of Free town and Mary  
Howland of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage Between m<sup>r</sup>. Isaac and  
m<sup>r</sup>s. Laranie Southworth Both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Clerk



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April 9<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between -  
Ezra Clark Jun<sup>r</sup> and Mary Hoar both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

April 13<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
Seth Cooper of Taunton and m<sup>rs</sup> Susanna Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> of  
Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
Elijah Goding of Raynham and m<sup>rs</sup> Pudence Thakot of  
Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

May 7<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>rs</sup> William  
Bent of Middleborough and m<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Sampson of Plimpton  
as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> James Bryan of  
m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Shaw 2<sup>nd</sup> both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

May 21<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> William  
Whites and m<sup>rs</sup> Betty Hardin both of Middleborough; as  
also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Henry Washburn  
of Bridgewater and m<sup>rs</sup> Susanna Hutchins of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

May 28<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
John Smith of Rochester and m<sup>rs</sup> Lucy Jackson of Middle-  
borough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

June 4<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
John Corder and m<sup>rs</sup> Joanna both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> William R  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> and m<sup>rs</sup> Alice Rich and both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

June 11<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Judah  
Washburn and m<sup>rs</sup> Priscilla Sampson both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

June 18<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between  
m<sup>r</sup> Alexander Canedy of Middleborough and m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Smith of Rochester  
as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Perez Richman  
of Barkley and m<sup>rs</sup> Phebe Heath a way of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

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June 25<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Benjamin  
m<sup>rs</sup> Abiah Reardon both of Middleborough; as also a purpose of  
marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Asa Seton and m<sup>rs</sup> Ann Stephens  
of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

July 9<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Ezra Harlow of  
Middleborough and m<sup>rs</sup> Betty Ellis of Plimpton; as also a purpose of marriage  
between m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Lincoln Resident in Middleborough and m<sup>rs</sup>  
Mary Morse of said Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

July 30<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Hathaway  
of Bridgewater and m<sup>rs</sup> Judah Hoar of Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage  
between m<sup>r</sup> David Seed of Middleborough and m<sup>rs</sup> Eliza both of  
Bridgewater; as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Philip  
of Plimpton and m<sup>rs</sup> Susanna Lemay of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

August 1<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Ebenezer Smith  
and m<sup>rs</sup> Ruth Bryant both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

August 27<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup>  
Josiah Hayward and m<sup>rs</sup> Dinah Muckham both of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

September 10<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> George Simons  
and m<sup>rs</sup> Thankfull Howland both of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> James Stuart of Middleborough and  
Anna Leach of Bridgewater

P. John Morton Town Clerk

October 8<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Richard  
Wittermore and m<sup>rs</sup> Deborah Vaughan both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Noah Tompkins  
Hallifax and m<sup>rs</sup> Priscilla Holms of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

October 15<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> John Merriam of  
Dartmouth and m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Peine of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
between m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Moore Jun<sup>r</sup> and m<sup>rs</sup> Priscilla Darling both  
of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

October 25<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Luke Perkins  
of Haverhill and m<sup>rs</sup> Margaret Peine of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk

November 5<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> Isaac  
of Plimpton and m<sup>rs</sup> Lydia Rider of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
of marriage between m<sup>r</sup> David Hooper of Bridgewater and m<sup>rs</sup> Rebecca  
Haw of Middleborough

P. John Morton Town Clerk







Middleborough

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November 30<sup>th</sup> 1767

At a Town meeting held in the Proprietors meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of November A.D. 1767 at said meeting appointed Edward Richmond John Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> and Lemuel Thomas to serve on the jury of Tryals at Next Court of general Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within 4<sup>th</sup> for the County of Plymouth on Second Tuesday of December Next.

At a Town meeting held at the Proprietors meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of December A.D. 1767 for to see if the Town were at any thing or things for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of this Province and Laying off purchasing of the Superfluous Imported from other Countries

- 1 at said meeting Capt Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen Moderator
- 2 at said meeting voted and made choice of 4 Benj<sup>r</sup> Wood Esq<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Wood and M<sup>r</sup> Zebulun Leonard to be a Committee to draw up something for the Town to Regulate them selves by respecting the Encouragement of the Manufacture of this Province
- 3 and then the Town By vote adjourned to meeting for the Space of one hour. The Town met accordingly to adjournment and the Moderator took his place and the above said Committee came in with a Report which they drew up relating to the afore mentioned affair
- 4 at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would assent of said Report and it passed in the Negative
- 5 at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would concur with the vote of the Town of Boston especially in the Manufacture of Paper in this Province and it passed in the Affirmative and then the Moderator Dismissed the meeting. attest John Morton Town Clerk

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At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of March A.D. 1768 and Ezra Clarke and Caleb Tompson were Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury at the next Court of general Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth in and for County of Plymouth on the Second Tuesday of April Next, and at the several Courts of general Sessions of the Peace to be holden there for the Space of one year; and Combs Barrows and Ebenezer Smith and Barziller Thomas were appointed by Drawing out of the Box as the Law Directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at said Court and at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth afore said on the Second Tuesday of April Next

attest John Morton Town Clerk

1768

At a Town meeting held in the meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1768 for the Choice of Town officers and other Business Incerted in the warrant for said meeting being duly Warned and Regularly assembled; The Warrant for said meeting not being present, the Town By vote made choice of Capt Ebenezer Sprout to be Moderator of said meeting and after wards on 1<sup>st</sup> Day M<sup>r</sup> Peter Vaugban being the Constable that warned the afore said meeting came with the Warrant afore said and after a Proper Motion being made and Warrant The Town voted the Moderator should stand and being Chosen as afore said and then the Town proceeded to the Choice of Town officers and the following Persons were Chosen to serve in their Respective Offices (viz)

- 1 John Morton Town Clerk
- 2 En<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Wood  
M<sup>r</sup> Joshua Wile  
M<sup>r</sup> Zebulun Leonard  
M<sup>r</sup> John Montgomery  
Capt Ebenezer Sprout  
M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Bonnet  
M<sup>r</sup> Zebulun Leonard  
M<sup>r</sup> William Shaw

were Chosen select men

assessors



4<sup>ly</sup> Lt. Zachariah Eddy  
 m<sup>r</sup> Peter Brennet  
 m<sup>r</sup> William Stroobing Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 m<sup>r</sup> Joshua White  
 m<sup>r</sup> Mabeli Howland  
 m<sup>r</sup> Moses Thomas

Wardens

memorandum at said meeting m<sup>r</sup> Jhabod being chosen one of the select men but refused to serve. Then the Town by vote made choice of Capt. Eben<sup>r</sup> Sprout as afore mentioned to serve in s<sup>d</sup> office.

5<sup>ly</sup> Capt. Ebenezer Sprout } Town Treasurer

6<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would act any thing on the 7<sup>th</sup> article contained in the afore mentioned Warrant which is to see if the Town would hire their Constables to collect their Taxes or allow them Commissions as so much upon the Pound for collecting and paying in the same; or pay the in any other way. Thought most convenient and it passed in the affirmative and then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the fourth Day of April Next at one of the Clock in the after noon; and the moderator declared said meeting to be adjourned at said time.

attest John Mooten Town Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of April A.D. 1763. m<sup>r</sup> John Miller and m<sup>r</sup> Uriah Sampson were chosen to serve on the grand jury; and Capt. Ebenezer Sprout and m<sup>r</sup> Jhabod were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Superior Court of Judicature Court of a Peace and general Court to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plimouth on the third Friday of May next.

At a Town meeting held in the meeting House in the East Precinct in Middleborough By adjournment from March 28<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1763 to Monday the fourth Day of April 1763 and the moderator took his place and then proceeded as followeth

1<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would allow their Constables 4 p<sup>r</sup> sent for collecting and paying in their Province Town and County Rates to the several Assessors for the year ensuing or Present year to be paid out of the Town Treasury and it passed in the affirmative at said meeting voted and made choice of the following Persons to serve in their respective offices

Abisham Finkham  
 Jonathan King  
 Isaac Finkham  
 William Cannady } Constables

3<sup>ly</sup> They then made choice of Andrew Cobb; Bennet Lucas; Job Thomas; Jabez Vaughan Jun<sup>r</sup>; Amos Finkham; Abel Richmond; Joseph Leonard the 2<sup>d</sup>; Amos Wapburn; John Booth; John Howland; Henry Shroobridge; Jonathan Wapburn; Nathan Darling; Job Peirce; Eleazer Thomas; Thomas Blackman; John Bennett the 2<sup>d</sup>; Isaac Cushman; Henry Wood; William Soul and Jacob Bennett Surveyors of high ways

4<sup>ly</sup> Zachariah Paddock Sealer of Leather

5<sup>ly</sup> Lemuel Ransom; William Richmond } Tithing men  
 John Miller }  
 James Raymond; and Moses Robbins }

6<sup>ly</sup> Robert Hear; Solomon Donham } Hoggweavers  
 Jabez Daggett; James Willis; and  
 Joseph Aldering }

turn over



- 7<sup>ly</sup> Consider Benson } Dear Reeves  
Gideon Finkham }
- 8<sup>ly</sup> Amos Washburn } Chose to the Due  
David Wapton } observance of the Province Law  
Relating going on the Commons
- 9<sup>ly</sup> Lemuel Wood }  
Francis Tompson } Fence Viewers  
Jabez Eaton }  
Ezra Washburn }
- 10<sup>ly</sup> Lt. Samuel Smith } Surveyor of Shingle and Cedar
- 11<sup>ly</sup> Ebenezer Shaw } Surveyor of Lumber
- 12<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting the Town made Choice Major  
Caleb Tompson Joseph Lovell and Israel Thomas to  
See that the fish called alewives have a free  
Passage up and Down Nemasket River in said Town
- 13<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town will  
take any of the fish called alewives as the come down  
the afore said River after they have cast their spawn  
and it passed in the negative
- 14<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted unto m<sup>r</sup> Silas Wood one of the  
Constables of said Town the following Remittances of  
Rats in his Bills m<sup>r</sup> Andrew Olivers poll Tax 6<sup>sh</sup>  
being the whole of D<sup>r</sup> poll Tax Jabez Eddys of Bridgewater  
poll Tax in D<sup>r</sup> Mills 6<sup>sh</sup> : Ruben Snows Poll Tax  
in said Bills 6<sup>sh</sup> : also a Tax in D<sup>r</sup> Bills where in William  
Lyon was wrongfully rated for the Widow Knattons  
Real Estate & also a Remittance of the of 7<sup>sh</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> being  
the whole of Daniel Thrashers Rats in D<sup>r</sup> Bills  
the sum of the whole of the above Remittances being  
one Pound Thirteen shillings & a penny
- 15<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to discharge m<sup>r</sup> Joshua White  
from serving in the office of Warden: and by vote  
made Choice of m<sup>r</sup> David Alden to serve in s<sup>d</sup>  
Office

- 16<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Jacob Bennett  
Eighteen Shillings and eight pence for seven days making  
the Province Town and County Rates at 2<sup>sh</sup> 7<sup>d</sup> per Day
- 17<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto William  
for making Rates in the year 1767 Seven days and a half  
at 2<sup>sh</sup> 7<sup>d</sup> per Day one Pound
- 18<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto William  
Shaw making Rates Seven Days Eighteen Shilling  
and eight pence
- 19<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted to Remit Daniel Thrashers Rate  
the whole of said Rate in 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>th</sup> Wad June: Bills  
being eight Shillings and eight pence
- 20<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and made Choice of m<sup>r</sup>  
John Miller and m<sup>r</sup> Jhabed Wood to examine their  
Town Treasurers accounts
- 21<sup>ly</sup> at said meeting voted and accepted of the alteration  
made of the High Road leading from Sreetown Road  
toward Taunton. By m<sup>r</sup> Hippus Gals house the  
Return whereof Banns March 10<sup>th</sup> 1768 alteration  
was made by the Select men of s<sup>d</sup> Town  
Then the meeting was adjourned to the same day  
the Town meets for the Choice of a Representative  
and the moderator Declared said to be  
adjourned to s<sup>d</sup> time &c  
attest - John Merton Town Clerk

Plene Then Francis Tompson and Lemuel Wood Both Personally  
appeared and Took the oath of ~~viewers~~ as also  
the oath Required by Law respecting bills of Credit  
of the Neighbouring Governments before me  
John Merton Town Clerk

Plene Then William Cannady Personally appeared and Took  
the oath of a Constable as also the oath Required  
by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Govern-  
ments before me John Merton Town Clerk

Plene Then John Mennet 2<sup>d</sup> Personally appeared and Took  
the oath of a Surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by  
Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments  
before me John Merton Town Clerk



Middleborough (250)

Plimouth Then William Howland Jr. personally appeared and took the oath of a Warden: as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plimouth Then David Alden personally appeared and took the oath of a Warden; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then were the following persons sworn to the said full Discharge of their respective offices (viz)  
Abishai Finkham, Constable; William Soule;  
John Booth; Jabez Vaughan Jr. Surveyor of high ways  
John Miller the 3<sup>d</sup> and Shubael Tompson sitting  
and each of the above named Persons took the respective Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as by Law required before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then James Willis personally appeared and took the oath of a Hoggreeve; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the neighbouring governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Andrew Cobb personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Moses Robbins personally appeared and took the oath of a sitting man; as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Malbai Howland personally appeared and took the oath of a Warden as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Middleborough (251)

1768  
Plim. Then Jabez Duggitt personally appeared and took the oath of a Hoggreeve; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then John Thomas personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Isaac Cushman personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Henry Strobel personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Benoi Lucas personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of high ways; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

1769  
Plim. Then Eben Briggs Jr. personally appeared and took the oath of a Warden; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments; and Nathan Cobb the oath of a Hoggreeve; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Jacob Silson personally appeared and took the oath of a Hoggreeve; as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Eben Cobb personally appeared and took the oath of a sitting man as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then George Jr. personally appeared and took the oath of a Warden as also the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler

Plim. Then Eben Wood personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable; as also the oath of a collector of Precinct Taxes for the first precinct in Middleborough; as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Cler



Plim. Sec.  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1769

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Then Thomeyer Sinkham personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of highways; as the oath required by Law Respecting Mills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments. Before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 19<sup>th</sup> June Then the following Persons were sworn to the full discharge of their respective offices (viz) James Cobb and Abiel Leach Jun<sup>r</sup> Town Viewers and Elias Miller Jun<sup>r</sup> Surveyor of highways; and they each of them took the oath required by Law respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 18<sup>th</sup> March 1769 Then John Morton personally appeared and took the oath of a Town Clerk; as also the oath required by Law Respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before Peter Oliver Jun<sup>r</sup> Justice of the Peace. Recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 12<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1769 Then William Macomber personally appeared and took the oath of a hoggreave; as also the oath required by Law Respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 26<sup>th</sup> March 1770 Then John Morton personally appeared and took the oath of a Town Treasurer; he also took the oath required by Law Respecting bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before Peter Oliver Jun<sup>r</sup> Justice of the Peace. Recorded by John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 27<sup>th</sup> March Then M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Warren personally appeared and took the oath of a Surveyor of highways as also the oath required by Law Respecting Mills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Sec. 3<sup>rd</sup> April Then William Mead personally appeared and took the oath of a hoggreave; as also the oath required by Law Respecting Mills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Morton Town Clerk



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Plim. Co. Then Mr. Daniel Vaughan and Mr. John Dickins both personally  
April 3. appeared and took the oaths of Warden they also took the  
1770- oaths respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighboring  
Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Jonah Nephew personally appeared and took the  
April 5. oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths respect-  
ing Bills of Credit of the Neighboring Government  
before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Levi Wood personally appeared and took the  
April 6. oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths required by  
Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighboring  
Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Levi Hathaway personally appeared and took the  
April 7. oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths required by  
Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighboring  
Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Ezra Clarke personally appeared and took the  
April 12. oath of a committed man to take that abusers have a  
1770- free passage up & down the River, & across the Middlebury  
valley the oaths required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of  
the Neighboring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Abraham Shaw personally appeared and took the oath  
April 25. of a Warden as also the oaths required by Law respecting  
Bills of Credit of the Neighboring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then the persons here after named were sworn to their  
May 23. faithful discharge of their respective offices (viz)  
Abraham Shaw Warden & Henry Davis & George  
Subveyors of high ways & took the oaths above named  
to the oaths required by Law respecting Bills of Credit  
of the Neighboring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Joseph Timney personally appeared and took the  
June 25. oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths required  
by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighboring  
Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Daniel Smith personally appeared and took the  
June 25. oath of a Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths  
required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the  
Neighboring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. Co. Then Jos. Woodland personally appeared and took the oath of a  
September 30. Surveyor of high ways, as also the oaths required by Law  
respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighboring Government before me John Morton Town Clerk



March 25 1771  
 Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then John Morton personally appeared and took the oath of a Town Clerk and Town Treasurer: as also the oath required for the doing  
 ing before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Capt. Isaac Sparrow personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then William Barstow personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then M<sup>r</sup>. Nathaniel Johnson personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Ireland Thomas personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Samuel Norcross personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Samuel Thomas personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Simon Dwyer personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then John Oby personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Joseph Harris & James Shaw personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then William Tomlinson personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Capt. Benjamin White personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Nathaniel Allen personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Joseph Briggs personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then William Macomber personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then William Barrett personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Haphai Thomas personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Jeremiah Jones personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk

Plim. 1<sup>st</sup> Then Solomon Donham personally appeared and took the oath of a Justice of Peace: as also the oath required by Law before Josiah Sturges what Juror's Justice of Peace  
 a the above and foregoing was recorded by me John Morton Town Clerk



Then Mr. George Pearce personally appeared and took the oath of an assessor as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then Mr. Thomas personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then George Douglas personally appeared and took the oath of a Valuer of high ways as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then Mr. Nathaniel Sampson personally appeared and took the oath of a Constable as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then Mr. Nathaniel Sampson personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then John Weston personally appeared and took the oath of a Town Clerk and Town Treasurer as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then Eliza Fitchham personally appeared and took the oath of a surveyor of high ways as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

Then Daniel Juchett personally appeared and took the oath of a Horse value as also the oath required by Law respecting Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments before me John Weston Town Clerk.

At a Town meeting held at the meeting house in the East Parish in Middleborough on Monday the 16th day of May A.D. 1768 and Capt Benjamin White was Chosen to Represent said Town at the Great and General Court or assembly to be kept and held for his majesty's service at the Court House in Boston on the twenty fifth day of May Instant; and so During the Session and Sittings of said Court for year ensuing.

At a Town meeting held at the meeting house in the East Parish in Middleborough on Monday the 18th day of May A.D. 1768 By adjournment from April 4th 1768.

and the moderator took his Place and then Proceeded at said meeting voted and accepted of a high way or Road Laid out through appaumpet neck so called in said Town the return date of said date March 10th A.D. 1768 the above Road to be an open Road twenty five feet wide.

at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would accept of the location of a Road Laid out by the selectmen beginning at the Widow Joan nee Sampson's Land between the first and second Feet of Lots in the Twelve man Purchase in said Town; and it being in the Negative at said meeting voted and accepted of a Road Laid out by the selectmen through part of the beach side in said Town so called near Mr. Elihu's house and then turn whereof Barith Date March 10th 1768. I way to be through gates or bars.

at said meeting voted and accepted of a Road Laid out by the selectmen and Jacob Benet appointed by Capt. Ben. Sprague one of the selectmen of said Town I way Laid out between house of Jtham or coombs of one side and the House of Nathaniel Bapworth of the other side.

at said meeting the Town by vote accepted of Shalabham to serve as Constable in the Noogn and Head of Isaac Fitchham who was Chosen at their annual meeting held the fourth day of April last, the said Shalabham bringing a sufficient Bond man to said Town for the said payment and settlement with the several Tinsmen.

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64. at said meeting voted to Remit Ezekiel Sampson  
in Golden Shearman's bills being twelve shillings and  
nine pence

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voted to Remit Eleatham Beacons Rate In D. then  
mans Bill being Seven Shilling six pence & two  
amounting to one Pound and three pence

76. at said meeting to allow pay m<sup>t</sup>s to M<sup>r</sup>. Geo. Wapaham  
for carrying one Nathaniel Smith from this Town to  
Taunton the sum of Six Shillings.

3 by at said meeting voted to Permit The Whaler of John Bay  
Rate In Job Macomber's Bills being Eleven Shilling  
and nine Pence D. Macomber being one of the Co. plates  
of S. Town in the year 1768

99- at said meeting voted and made Choice of St. Zachariah Edgely to be a Warden in Town who was chosen the 28<sup>th</sup> of March last and not being a member of the said Society

1846. To the same. At said meeting spoke slowly, saying that he was well, and that  
he was now in the hospital, and that he was now in the hospital, and that he was now in the hospital.  
at said meeting spoke slowly and made speech of Margaret  
Thomas To be a supporter of Lumber; and then the Moderator  
said: "The meeting is adjourned."

Dismiss the meeting. *at 8 1/2*  
 12 9 *at said meeting* *at 10 o'clock* *John Mortox* *John*  
*in* *at said meeting* *at 10 o'clock* *John Mortox* *John*  
*at said meeting* *at 10 o'clock* *John Mortox* *John*

At a Town meeting held at the meeting house in the  
Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the  
2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1762 at 10 o'clock

2<sup>d</sup> day of June 1768 at said meeting appointed  
Joseph Thomas William Reed Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Peire  
by Drawing out of the Box as the Law directs to serve  
on the Jury of Inqu<sup>ies</sup> at the Next Court of General  
Sessions of the peace; and Court of Common Pleas to  
be holden at Plimouth in and for the County of Plim<sup>outh</sup>  
on the first Tuesday of July Next

At a meeting of the Free holders and other inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough Legally qualified and warned in Publick Town meeting assembled at the meeting House in the Eastern Precinct on said Town on Tuesday the 22<sup>th</sup> of September A.D. 1768 -

at said meeting Capt Ebon & Sprouth and Capt Benjamin White were chosen a committee to join in a convention to be held at Fannells Hall in Boston on Thursday the twenty second

and otherwise being Deficient of a General Court; and the Day for the  
the three principal Kings troops to be kept at the

of two or three Regiments of Kings troops to be kept at the  
Castle and in Boston; and the sad consequences thereof -  
and then the Town unanimously voted that the Select men be a  
Committee to wait on the several Ministers of the Town; desiring

that the next Tuesday may be kept as a Day of Solemn Fast-  
ing and Prayer for the above mentioned Nation; and then the  
Moderator Dismiss the meeting.

Attest John Morton Treas. Cbr

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of September A.D. 1768 at said meeting appointed  
Electors Reynolds, Schabed Monton and Tally Thomas  
Drawing out of the Box as the Law directs to serve  
the Jury of Tryals at the Next Court of general Ses-  
sions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be  
held at Plymouth in and for the County of Plymouth  
on the first Tuesday of October Next.

<sup>a</sup> In the meeting house  
10th 1762. At a Town meeting held at the Meeting House in the Town of Middleborough on Monday the 10th day of October Anno Domini 1762 and Capt. Eben<sup>r</sup> Sparrow was chosen moderator of said

at said meeting voted to Raise Sixty Pound by way of  
or assessment on the poll and Estate of the Inhabitants  
of said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept for  
Term and also to be paid to the said schools in the four years

2<sup>nd</sup>. Town; said <sup>10</sup>County Court being fully divided in the four  
districts in said Town in the manner and form as was in the  
1766-  
and then voted and made choice of Mr. Caleb Tomlinson to be  
juror out of Town Locapm for the sale of the North East

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 portion out of said Township for the use of the Town of  
 district in said Town for the use of an English School  
 kept in said District.



and the said Caleb Tompson is hereby Im powered to Notify and warn said District to meet together for the ordering of said schools and how many shall be kept in said district

3<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Lieut John Weston to receive fifteen Pounds out of the Town Treasury for the use of English Schools in said Town for the use of English Schools to be kept in said District; and the said John Weston is hereby Im powered to Notify and warn said District to meet together for the ordering of said Schools and how many shall be kept in said District

4<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted & made choice of Mr Benjamin Thomas to receive fifteen Pounds out of the Town Treasury for the use of English Schools or School to be kept in the West Constable District in said Town; and the said Zebulon Leonard is hereby Im powered to Notify and warn said District to meet together for the ordering of said Schools and how many shall be kept in said District

5<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Mr Zebulon Leonard to receive fifteen Pounds out of the Town Treasury for the use of English Schools or School to be kept in the West Constable District in said Town; and the said Zebulon Leonard is hereby Im powered to Notify and warn said District to meet together for the ordering of said Schools and how many shall be kept in said District

6<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to raise forty Pounds by way of Tax or assessment on the several Inhabitants of said Town for the defraying the necessary charges that are arising each year arising on said Town for the year ensuing

7<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to remit the balance of John Jacobs Rate in D. Ward Shearman Mills being seven shillings and six pence

8<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Capt Ebenezer Sprague the sum of four pounds fifteen shillings & three pence for one day's lay out a Town way in mad main roads; and half a day in attending a Town way between Israel Thomas & Isaac Cashman and what kept for procuring two warrants; and disburse for the said of above

and for serving as Town Treasurer in the year 1767 and for him self and horse nine days service and Travel to Boston with the Province Committee agreeable to his account

9<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto the Reverend Mr Solomon P. D. the sum of four Pounds and ten shillings for boarding Mr Benjamin Johnson the Towns grammar school master fifteen weeks agreeable to his account

10<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Capt Nathaniel Smith for Laying out high ways in the Beach Wood two days and one day and a half at a shilling per diem and at mad main Roads two days and a half at a shilling per diem and at mad main Roads two days and a half at a shilling per diem and at mad main Roads two days and a half at a shilling per diem

11<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Capt Benjamin White the sum of one Pound and fourteen shillings for money with his compass with the select men to lay out a Town way and for six days when he went to Boston to judge with the Province Committee

12<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Mr Jacob Ben net the sum of three pounds and eighteen shillings for nine days taking the valuations of Estates and for Cost of sending the valuations to the Secretary

13<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr Zebulon Leonard the sum of four Pounds for his time spent in the taking of the valuation of the Town copying and comparing the same

14<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr Jacob Ben net the sum of three Pounds and four shillings for time spent in taking the valuation and for time spent in comparing the same



and then the meeting was adjourned to the Dayling Hay  
of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Ebenezer Smyth to be held immediately and the  
Moderator Declared said meeting to be adjourned as aforesaid  
The Town met according to adjournment and the Moderator  
Took his Place and then proceed to the sale of said fish  
and Mr. Zebulon Leonard was the highest bidder there  
therefore the Priviledge of Taking said fish as aforesaid  
was sold to him for the consideration of the sum of one hun-  
dred and two pounds Law full money and Mr. Silson Ripley  
Mr. Nathaniel Sumner as Surety for the payment of  
sum as aforesaid and then the Town gave accepted of the  
said Silson Ripley and Nathaniel Sumner as Surety for  
the said Zebulon Leonard and then the Moderator signified  
the meeting at the  
John Morton Town Cler

1768. November 5<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of Marriage between Mr.  
Gideon Briggs of Nashley and Mrs. Keturah Allen of Mid-  
dleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Justice Norton of Inseton and Mrs. Nancy Simmons of  
Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of Marriage between Mr.  
Seth Jones and Mrs. Priscilla Miller both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
John de la Roche of Rochester and Mrs. Hannah Rogers of Mid-  
dleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

December 14<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Richard Piney and Mrs. Hannah May both of Mi-  
ddleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

December 17<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Nathaniel Cushman and Mrs. Mary Cook both of Middle-  
borough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

December 31<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Andrew Oliver and Mrs. Thebe Spooner both of Middle-  
borough as also a purpose of marriage between John  
and Mrs. Elizabeth Norick both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

1769 January 7<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Samuel Parvinton of Middleborough and Mrs. Patience  
Parker of Inseton  
P. John Morton Town Cler

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Jonathan  
Lyon and Mrs. Abia Shaw both of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

February 1<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Benjamin  
Mabel of New York and Mrs. Rhoda Dillies of Middleborough as also  
a purpose of marriage between Mr. William Shurtliff  
Jun<sup>r</sup> of Plimpton and Mrs. Ruth of Middleborough as  
also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Jonathan  
of Middleborough and Mrs. Judith Keith 2<sup>d</sup> of Inseton  
P. John Morton Town Cler

February 1<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
William Raymond and Mrs. Phoebe Thomas 4<sup>th</sup> of  
Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

March 1<sup>st</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
Nathaniel Shaw Jun<sup>r</sup> of Plimpton and Mrs. Deborah  
of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

March 15<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
John Spooner of Dartmouth and Mrs. Lydia Child of  
Middleborough as also a purpose of marriage between  
Mr. Stephen Silson of Plimpton and Mrs. Hope Kilham  
of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

March 18<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between  
Capt. Nathaniel Smith of Middleborough  
and Mrs. Lydia Clarke of Inseton  
P. John Morton Town Cler

March 25<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
William Mather of Middleborough and Mrs. Hannah  
of Inseton as also a purpose of marriage between  
Mr. Isaac Connerly and Mrs. Deborah Benson of Middle-  
borough as also a purpose of marriage between Mr.  
John Callis of Dacebury and Mrs. Mary Dalton of  
Middleborough as also a purpose of marriage between  
Mr. Joseph Robinson of Middleborough and Mrs. Sarah  
of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler

April 6<sup>th</sup> Then I Published a purpose of marriage between  
of Nashley and Hope Still French of Middleborough  
P. John Morton Town Cler



1769  
April 8<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
M<sup>rs</sup> Daniel Dyman of Plimouth and M<sup>rs</sup> Susanna  
Southworth of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Moses Nelson and M<sup>rs</sup> Eunice  
Peine both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

April 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Joane Cushman of Plimpton and M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Ellis of Mid-  
dleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
M<sup>rs</sup> Samuel Benson and M<sup>rs</sup> Joseph Finkham  
both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 6<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Ebenezer Garden and Azubah French both of Middle-  
borough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 13<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Ebenezer Briggs  
and M<sup>rs</sup> Silenus Redding both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

May 20<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Samuel Rider and M<sup>rs</sup> Patience Weston both of Middle-  
borough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Ebenezer Bennett and M<sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth Ellis both of  
Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
John Bennett Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough and M<sup>rs</sup> Keryia Shaw  
of Plimpton. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Ebenezer  
Long and M<sup>rs</sup> Patience Bennett both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

August 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
John Harris Jun<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Morton both of Mid-  
dleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
John Perkins of Free town and M<sup>rs</sup> Rachel Dine of  
Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

1769  
August 28<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> John  
Fane of Woodstock and M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Strobridge of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

September 16<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Peter  
Oliver Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough and M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Hutchins  
of Boston; as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Jacob Soul of Hallowell and M<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Thomas of  
Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

October 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
John Lewis and M<sup>rs</sup> Huldah Sampson both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

October 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Henry  
Leonard and M<sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth Eaton both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Ebenezer Blackman  
and M<sup>rs</sup> Lydia Thompson both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

November 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Thomas  
Lingard and M<sup>rs</sup> Theodate Bennett both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

November 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Francis Tompkins and M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Bumpas both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

December 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between James  
Boat of Middleborough and M<sup>rs</sup> Jane Elliot of Taunton. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

December 16<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Ebenezer Kelton and M<sup>rs</sup> Joanna Holmes both of Middleborough  
as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> Benjamin Smith  
of Free town and M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Howland of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

December 28<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
William Donham of Plimouth and M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Raymond  
of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

December 30<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Cornelius Warren and M<sup>rs</sup> Patience Spear both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town Clerk



1768 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December A.D. 1768. at said meeting appointed Nathaniel Bumpas Joseph Lovell and Paul Hathaway by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve as the Jury of Tryals at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plimouth in and for the County of Plymouth on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of December Instant.

1769 at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March A.D. 1769 Mr. Chas. Tompkins and Ezeckiah White chosen to serve on the Grand Jury at the next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plimouth within and for the County of Plymouth the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of April next: and at the several Courts of general Sessions of the Peace to be holden there for the Space of one year and James Lefebvre Francis Bumpas and Joseph Bumpas were appointed by drawing out of the box as the Law directs to serve on the Jury of Tryals at said Court and the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plimouth afore said on the second Tuesday of April next.

attest John Morton Town Clerk

At a Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough, Lawfully assembled as the Law directs and Legally assembled on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1769 in the meeting House in Easterly Precinct in Middleborough afore said for the Choice of Town officers and the other Business contained in the warrant for said meeting the following persons were chosen to serve in the respective Offices here after named viz 1<sup>st</sup> Ezeckiah White Moderator

- 2<sup>d</sup> John Morton Town Clerk
  - 3<sup>d</sup> Mr. John Montgomery
  - Mr. Zebulon Leonard
  - Mr. Joshua White
  - Mr. Nathaniel Wood
  - Mr. Nathaniel Bumpas
- Select men

4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Jacob Bennett  
Mr. Zebulon Leonard } Assessors  
Mr. William Shaw

5<sup>th</sup> Ebenezer Cook  
William Bennett Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Elijah Perry  
Jacob Luffin } Constables

memorandum Jacob Luffin made his report to the Town on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April for the present year

6<sup>th</sup> Eben. Briggs Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Eben. Wells  
John Dickson  
Zebulon Wood Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Andrew Dickson  
George Shaw Jun<sup>r</sup> } Wardens

7<sup>th</sup> John Morton Town Treasurer

8<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow the Constables out of the Town Treasury one penny for their collecting & paying in their Taxes for the ensuing year

9<sup>th</sup> They then made choice of Peter Bennett, James Lefebvre, Joseph Lovell, Ebenezer Finkham, Edward W. Finkham, John Snow, John Hafford, Mr. Nathaniel Foster, John McCully, Isaac Howland, Elkanah Pierce, Jonathan Wright, Lieut. Zebuliah Eddy, John Buice, Joseph Thomas, Lieut. Robert Sprout, William Short, Elias Miller Jun<sup>r</sup>, John Thomas, Isaac Finkham, Jeremiah Howland, Jun<sup>r</sup> of highways

10<sup>th</sup> At said meeting the Town made choice of Messrs. Finkham, Joseph Lovell, James Finkham, Edward W. Finkham, William Hafford, Nathaniel Smith 2<sup>d</sup> and Joseph Leonard 2<sup>d</sup> to be a Committee to see that the fish called alewives have a free passage up and down the river and brooks in said Town; and that each of these four named Committee shall have equal power and authority to inspect the said river & brooks aforesaid

11<sup>th</sup> Then voted Liberty for taking the afore said fish as they go up to Capt. their Spurn in the Long Pond in Town at said Smith 2<sup>d</sup> were in spawning fit time; on Monday and Tuesday each week this fish season



12<sup>th</sup> at Said meeting voted not to take any of the fish called *glawick* as they come Down the River and brook in Said Town; after they have cast their Spawns and then said meeting was adjourned to Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the Just Month at ten of the Clock in the fore Noon to be held at the place first mentioned and the moderator Declared S<sup>d</sup> meeting to be adjourned as a fore said. attest John Morton Town Cler

at a Town meeting held at the meeting house in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March A.D. 1769. and Cap<sup>t</sup>. Eben<sup>r</sup>. Sprunt was chosen Moderator of said meeting; said meeting was warned on account of a citation issued from the Court of General Sessions of the Peace held at Plymouth in and for the County of Plymouth at their 5<sup>th</sup> Term Relating to a petition of M<sup>r</sup>. John Miller & others Relating to a Road; that was laid out by the select men but being approved by the Town; and after having said citation read the Town by vote adjourned said meeting for Thursday the thirtieth day of March instant at nine of the Clock in the fore Noon to be held at the place above mentioned and the moderator Declared said meeting to be adjourned as a fore said. John Morton Town Cler

Then met according to adjournment on the 30<sup>th</sup> of March 1769 and the moderator took this Oath and passed the following vote at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of M<sup>r</sup>. Jed Bennet as agent to appear for said Town at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth in and for the County of Plymouth on the Second Tuesday of April Next to answer to a certain Citation issued from the Justices of said Court at their 5<sup>th</sup> Term Relating to the above said petition of M<sup>r</sup>. John Miller & others Relating to a Road being stopped between the first and second Land lot in the twelfth manorship so called in Middleborough afore said. and then the Moderator dismissed the meeting attest John Morton Town Cler

At a Town meeting held by adjournment from the previous Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> of March to the 30<sup>th</sup> of said Month 1769 at the meeting house in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough the Moderator took his Oath and the Town passed the following vote viz;

- 1<sup>st</sup> at Said meeting the Town by vote Decused M<sup>r</sup>. Nath<sup>l</sup>. Add from serving as a select man for the ensuing year; and by vote made choice of M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Bennett to serve in said office of a select man for the year ensuing.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> at said meeting voted Decused M<sup>r</sup>. John Montgomery from serving as a select man for the year ensuing and then by vote made choice of Capt. Nath<sup>l</sup>. Smith to serve in said office.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> at said meeting vote to Decuse Edmund Weston Jun<sup>r</sup> from serving as a Surveyor of high ways for the year ensuing; and by vote made choice of Manasseh Tucker to serve in said office.
- 4<sup>th</sup> at said meeting made choice of the following Rights Zachariah Paddock } Sealer of Leather.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Thomas Blackman  
Abel Richman  
Ebenzer Cobb  
Ebenzer Wood  
Joshua Raymond  
Ebenzer Peabody } Sitting men
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ephraim Reynolds  
William Spencer  
Nathan Barron  
Nathan Cobb  
Jabez Elden } Hogg reeves
- 7<sup>th</sup> Confeider Benson  
Jonathan Ranford } Deer reeves
- 8<sup>th</sup> Joseph Briggs  
Zebulon Vaughan } Chosen to see the Due observance of the Law Relating to Hogs going on the Commons
- 9<sup>th</sup> James Cobb  
Abiel Search Jun<sup>r</sup>  
J<sup>r</sup>. John Weston  
Nathan Elden } Fence Viewers







and to said Just Bennett as an agent concerning Mr. John Millers Road to some extent in getting the right money of the select men, and four days attendance at court and money expended and attorney fees the sum of two pounds and eight pence -

6th at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. David Wood for one day to lay out a Town way by Edward Woodburns and one day to lay out a Town way in Madam Nash and for two days with the four Corn miller and half a day in altering a way between Israel Thomas and Isaac Coffin and to one day to perambulate a line between the two aforesaid Townships and one day in altering a road by Samuel Thomas and half a day to lay out the Road by Joseph Woodburns the sum of eight pounds and eight pence -

7th at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Joseph White the sum of five Shillings and eight pence for laying a road in Madam Nash one day to one with the select men of Plumpton in perambulating a line between the Towns and half a day to lay out a road by Joseph Woodburns -

8th at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Rachel B. the sum of seven Shillings and ten pence for three and a half days service in tending the Widow Francis Howland at three Shillings a week and then the meeting was adjourned to the same day the Town meets to appoint jury men for July Court that at one of the places in the afternoon and the moderator do advise meeting to be adjourned to the time of -

attest John Morton Town Clerk

June 26th at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Liberty Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25th of June 1769 at said meeting appointed Jacobus H. Howland and John Morton to serve on the jury of Towns at the next Court of general Sessions of the peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday of July Next.

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Liberty Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25th of June 1769 by adjournment from the 24th 69 and the moderator took his place and then said meeting was further adjourned for the space of one hour [The Town met according to adjournment and the moderator took his place and proceeded as follows:] and ordered the same to be recorded which is as followeth We the Subscribers being chosen a committee to examine the Town Treasurers accounts of the Town of Middleborough met at the House of Capt. John Sprout Town Treasurer to settle said Treasurers account in May 5th 1769 and after examining said Treasurers accounts we find that said Treasurer hath received of the several Constables and for the sale of all wives - We are the sum of three hundred ninety seven Pounds one Shilling three pence and three farthings since the settlement with the former Town Treasurer in April 1768 and paid out by order of said Town the sum of three hundred eighty nine pounds twelve Shillings seven pence and three farthings due from said Treasurer to the Town the sum of ten pounds two Shillings eight pence which said Treasurer hath paid to John Morton the present Treasurer of said Town; as also several securities for several Payers the sum amounting to one hundred forty five pounds and ten Shillings which sum is still due to said Town -

John Miller } Committee  
Jehad Wood }

the above mentioned account see in the next page



date year month	Constable's names	what they have paid	What rem Due
	Jacob Barden		L <sup>o</sup> -15-0
	Samuel Bennett		1-3-0
	John Leonard		1-1-0
	Timothy Bryant		1-6-0
	John Jackson		0-11-9
1760	Nathaniel Briggs	34-9-4	32-0-11 2
	Hoseaiah Purinton	26-6-7	24-19-5 2
1764	William Bennett	29-19-9	24-15-3
1766	Edward Shearman	30-0-3	27-10-0
	Isaac Soul	28-8-2	17-5-0
	Ephraim Wood	26-14-5	16-1-11
1767	James Weston	17-9-5	13-9-5
	Silas Ward	13-1-5	13-1-5
	Peter Vaughan	15-0-1	15-0-1
	Job Macomber	18-9-1	18-9-1
1768	Shubael Tinkham	20-11-0	20-11-0
	Jonathan King	22-8-10	22-8-10
	Abijah Tinkham	24-3-0	24-3-0
	William Cuddy	32-17-2	32-17-2

L<sup>o</sup> 198-3-2

Sum Total Remaining in the Constables hands  
is L<sup>o</sup> 198-3-2

and after the above written report was accepted  
the moderator dismissed the meeting

attest John Morton Town Clerk



At a Town meeting held at the 11.  
Easterly Precinct in Middleborough  
29th of September A.D. 1769.  
at said meeting appointed Eliza-  
-am Canady and Edmund Walton  
Jury of trials at the next Court  
of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas  
at Plymouth within the County of Plymouth  
if October Next

At a Town meeting held at the meeting  
hall Easterly Precinct Middleborough on the  
1st of October A.D. 1769. Mr. Ichabod Wain  
Moderator of said meeting and then passed  
1st at said meeting put to vote whether  
any money for the use of English Schools  
Town for the year ensuing and it passed  
2d at said meeting put to vote whether  
any money for defraying the necessary  
charges for the year ensuing and it passed with  
Majority that there was a Sufficiency of  
money to pay the Charges afore said -  
3d at said meeting voted to sell the private  
fishery to the highest bidder, agreeable  
to the Province and who ever he the bid-  
der give sufficient security to the Town for  
give and shall observe the directions  
to the obtaining Liberty of the owner  
for the taking of said fish and pay the  
they shall give for said fish by the first  
and the other half by the 1st of the first day  
and then the Town they vote appointed Mr  
Sanchee Master for the sale of said fish  
was adjourned to the 1st of Oct.  
Moderator declared said meeting be ad-  
-journed at the Place afore said, the  
Samuel and the Moderator Jo-  
-seph to the sale of said fish and in  
the highest bidder; therefore  
as afore said was sold to him the s.  
consideration of one hundred seven  
pence and Mr. William Ripley and  
1769



meeting was adjourned until Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>  
instant at one of the Clocks in the  
to be held in the meeting House in  
Precinct afore mentioned and the Monday  
said meeting to be adjourned to said time the

meeting put to vote whether the Town would  
upon the Request of Joseph Rousevellor, of the  
the taking alewives in a pound of fish in  
contained in the Warrant for the above and the  
voted in the Negative.

the meeting held at the meeting House in  
Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the  
16<sup>th</sup> of July 1769 by adjournment from the 1<sup>st</sup> of  
Moderator took his place and then proceeded  
with (viz)

and accepted of a Regulation of the July Board  
the absolute means of said Town and the meeting  
then adjourned for half an hour for the Town  
at a Quarter past of the November next to some  
for all at the Supperhouse which being done  
passed by a vote of said Town.

meeting voted to allow & pay unto Thomas Fink  
of the Shillings five pence for three days work  
being one of the river or brook in said Town in his  
the obstructions made to the passage of the alewives  
last.

meeting voted to allow & pay unto David Thomas  
and twelve Shillings for his boarding Mr. John  
Town School Master twelve weeks agreeable to the

meeting voted to allow and pay unto Lt. Volney  
pounds and eleven Shillings for boarding Mr. Thomas  
for the Town School Master eight weeks his  
able to his account.

meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. John Bear  
pounds and five Shillings and eight pence  
as agent for the Town with the Commis  
Mr. John Millers Road to 2 days with  
in a day at July Court, Expenses at 2 days  
next October Court and Expenses at 2  
6s and to 9 day with the select men of  
and at 1/2 day.



169<sup>th</sup> At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Sabbath School in Middleborough on Monday  
the 18<sup>th</sup> of October A.D. 1769  
Mr. Ichabod was chosen Moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting the Town voted that the County Tax  
for the year 1769 should be paid out of the Town Tre-  
sury  
2<sup>d</sup> at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of  
of Messrs Caleb Tompson Jacob Brewster and Ichabod  
to be a Committee to repair to the Old Stone wall in  
Neponset River in said Town there to take a Survey  
appoint and set up bounds to said wall for its share  
portion; and make their Report at the next Town  
meeting  
and then the moderator Dismissed the meeting  
John Norton Secy

170<sup>th</sup> At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Sabbath School in Middleborough on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
of October A.D. 1769 Mr. Nehemiah Leonard was chosen  
Moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of Mr. Caleb  
Tompson Capt Benjamin White and Mr. Nehemiah Leonard  
to be a Committee to join with Bridgewater and Hallowell  
(Committee) in petitioning to the Great and General Court  
at their next session; against Sumner's Claiming a  
right in Sumner's Great River do by Law  
2<sup>d</sup> at said meeting the Town voted that the Select men  
of said Middleborough should take the advice of  
some attorney at Law respecting their prosecuting  
the Select men of Sumner for not Perambulating  
the line between the two afore said Towns; and against the  
Sumner's the advice they take as a fore said at a Town meeting  
time enough to prosecute said Select men of Sumner  
next April Court  
3<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted that whereas that there is a Confusion  
of the English money due toward Town from the Confusion  
due for some time that the Town Treasurer should give  
Notice ten days before said day to said Confusion and if the  
said in said time then to proceed with the same



Jan 13<sup>th</sup> 1770 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Josiah Warren and Mr. Susanah Shepley both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. John Jones of Middleborough and Mr. Olive Leach of Bridgewater Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Lot Hethaway of Dartmouth and Mr. Abigail Hall of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Caleb Wood of Middleborough and Mr. Elizabeth Pomeroy of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Samuel Pomeroy of Middleborough and Mr. Abigail Pomeroy of Middleborough: and also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Nathaniel Stetson of Middleborough and Mr. Hannah Merry of Taunton Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thomas and Mr. Martha Holmes both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

March 7<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Warren Jones of Middleborough and Mr. Betty of Bridgewater Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

March 24<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John Thomas of Taunton and Mr. Jane Ladd of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

March 31<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Benjamin Jones and Mr. Lydia Hall both of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. John and Mr. Abigail Eaton both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

April 7<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Joseph Donham and Mr. Sarah Johnson both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

April 14<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John Finkham and Mr. Lucy Thomas both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 10<sup>th</sup> 1770 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Seth Hethaway of Taunton and Mr. Mary Howland of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. John Richmond of Taunton and Mr. Hannah Rich of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 12<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Robert Legin Indian man of Middleborough and St. Lizee James Indian woman of Bridgewater Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Michael Kennedy of Taunton and Mr. Mary Hooper of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 18<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Thomas Gifford Indian man of Middleborough and Deborah Simon Indian woman of Taunton Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. John and Mr. Deborah Sturtevant both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

May 26<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Benjamin Leonard and Mr. Hannah Hall both of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

June 16<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Nicholas Bryant of Taunton and Mr. Margaret Ladd of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. William Perry of Taunton and Mr. Lucy Holmes of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

August 4<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Samuel Hackett of Middleborough and Mr. Mary Randal of Taunton Dr. John Morton Town Clerk

August 25<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thomas Gifford of Taunton and Mr. Lydia Pomeroy of Middleborough: as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Michael Roper and Mr. Elizabeth of Middleborough Dr. John Morton Town Clerk



September 1770 Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup>. Deborah Thomas  
 both of Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

September 8<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Finkham & M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Redding both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

September 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Zachariah Weston and M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Wade both of  
 Middleborough. P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

October 6<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Finkham and M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Green both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

October 13<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Mahitabel Whit both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Lemuel  
 Harlow & M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Holmes both of Middleborough; as also  
 purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. John Shaw of Weymouth  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Hannah Keith of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

November 17<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Solomon  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Hephzibah Allen both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

November 24<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Reuben  
 son of Halifax & M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Tomson of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

December 5<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Joseph Churchill & M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Cobb both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

December 8<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan  
 Phinney of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Meribah Peire of Rockport  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

December 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Joseph  
 and Huldah Barton both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

December 29<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac  
 of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Abia Combs of Rockport  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 John Montgomery Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Margaret Henry  
 of Bridgewater. P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. George  
 Washburn of Brookfield & M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Southworth of Middleborough  
 as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Nathaniel Swinton  
 of Middleborough and M<sup>rs</sup>. Margaret Parker of Freetown  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

January 19<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob  
 Thomas & M<sup>rs</sup>. Content Johnson both of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

January 26<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Jesse Peire  
 of Middleborough; and M<sup>rs</sup>. Ruth Peire of Freetown  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

February 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Joshua  
 Williams of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Bethiah Clark of Freetown  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

March 9<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph  
 Miller and M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Howland both of Middleborough  
 as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Nathaniel  
 Jun<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup>. Desire Shaw both of Middleborough; as also  
 purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Richard Chubbill of Middleborough  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Sarah Finkham of Halifax; as also a purpose  
 of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Allen of Dartmouth  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Rebecca Peire of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose between M<sup>r</sup>. Deborah Smith of Middleborough  
 & M<sup>rs</sup>. Hannah Walker of Freetown; as also a purpose of  
 marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> of Middleborough and Hannah Bond  
 both of Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Ephraim Ward and M<sup>rs</sup>. Susanna Tupper both of Middleborough  
 as also a purpose of marriage between John Smith of Freetown  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Deborah Peire of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

March 29<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Timothy  
 of Freetown and M<sup>rs</sup>. Meribah Simmons of Middleborough  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. David  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Deborah Torrey both of Middleborough; as also a purpose  
 of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. William Richmond of Middleborough  
 and M<sup>rs</sup>. Susanna Richmond of Freetown  
 P<sup>r</sup>. John Morton Town Clerk



Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
by Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of  
February 1770  
Mr. Ichabod Woods was chosen Moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting put to vote whether the Select men of  
Middleborough should present a petition to the Court of Sessions  
for not selling a proclamation of the Law according  
to the Law of this Province between the two a fore said  
Town Ships and its passed in the affirmative  
and then the moderator dissolved the meeting  
attest John Morton Town Clerk

We the Subscribers do Impower and approve of  
the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Peter Oliver Esq<sup>r</sup> Building a Pound upon  
and Peter Oliver Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Land near his Dwelling  
in Middleborough upon his own Range as Long as he  
shall see cause to keep one up in some convenient  
place which shall be for the use of said Town where  
let up near any Person or Persons shall have action to Impound  
Judge them for said cattle Sheep or Swine according to the Law  
this Province. Dated at Middleborough July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1770  
Nath<sup>l</sup> Sprague } Select men  
Joseph White }  
Zebulun Leonardo }  
Jacob Bennett } Middleborough

March 26<sup>th</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
by Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> of  
March 1770  
Mr. Caleb Tomlinson and Mr. Ezra Clark were chosen to  
on the Grand Jury and the next Court of General Sessions of  
the peace to be holden at Plimouth for and within the  
County of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of April next  
and at the several Courts of General Sessions of the  
Peace to be holden there for the space of one year  
and Ebenezer Alden Joseph Thomas and Sylvanus Dyer  
were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law di-  
rects to serve on the Jury of Tryals at said Court and at the  
next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plim-  
outh before said on the second Tuesday of April next  
attest John Morton Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the  
26<sup>th</sup> Day of March A.D. 1770  
In the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct  
being duly warned and regularly assembled for the  
Choice of Town Officers; and the other Business con-  
tained in the Warrant for said meeting the following  
Persons were chosen to serve in the respective Offices  
hereafter named (viz)  
Capt. Ebenezer Sprague was chosen Moderator

2<sup>nd</sup> John Morton Town Clerk

3<sup>rd</sup> Capt. Ebenezer Sprague }  
Mr. John Montgomery } Select men  
Mr. Ichabod Woods }  
Mr. Joshua White }  
Mr. Zebulun Leonardo }

4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Jacob Bennett }  
Mr. Zebulun Leonardo } assessors  
Lieut. John Weston }

5<sup>th</sup> Joseph Driggs }  
Simeon Daggett } Constables  
Moses Southwick }  
Joseph Benson }

6<sup>th</sup> Mr. Daniel Vaughan }  
Mr. Ebenezer Thomas }  
Mr. John Perkins } Wardens  
Mr. Isaac Perkins }  
Mr. Abraham Shaw }  
Mr. Abigail Ingham }

7<sup>th</sup> John Morton Town Treasurer

8<sup>th</sup> At a meeting put to vote whether the Town would  
their Constables to collect their Taxes for this year  
passed in the negative for Town officers



9<sup>th</sup> March meeting  
the 26<sup>th</sup> day 1770  
They then made choice of Peter Bennett, Daniel Smith, Joseph Waskburn, William Tappan, Benjamin Warren, Paul Hathaway, Andrew Oliver, John - son, Henry Pine, Job Howland, George Peirce, Levi Hathaway, Thomas Ellis, Joseph Dimmy, Caleb Wood, Thomas Laddock, William Short, Levi Wood, Ebenezer Thomas, Joseph Smith, Samuel Stephens, Seth Tinkham, Surveyors of high ways.

10<sup>th</sup> Seth Morton, Sealer of Leather.

11<sup>th</sup> Thomas Blackman  
Joseph Burdon  
Nathan Wood  
Ebenezer Tinkham  
John Lebaron  
Theophilus Crocker

Nothing men

12<sup>th</sup> Thomas Pichons  
William Preedy 3<sup>d</sup>  
John Harlow  
Elijah Eaton  
Ebenezer Case

Hagg Reeves

13<sup>th</sup> Confider Benson  
Jonathan Pransom

Deer Reeves

David Weston  
Paul Cashman

I were chosen to see the due observance of the Law Relating to Horses going on the Common

14<sup>th</sup> Jacob Tompson Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Francis Tompson  
Joseph Eaton  
John Shaw

Fence Viewers

15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Ebenezer Shaw; Mr. Benjamin, Thomas M. Jehab Woods and Mr. Joseph Smith, were chosen Surveyors of Lumber.

16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted and made choice of Master Silas Wood, Jhabed Wood, James Tinkham, and Ezra Clark, to be a Committee to see that the Fish of the Abwies have a free passage up and down the River and brooks within said Town.

17<sup>th</sup> and then voted Liberty for taking said Fish in a swampy brook, by the high way near Mr. Nath. Tappan in said Town; on Mondays and Tuesdays in each Week during this fish season for all wives as they go up out of a passage in the pond in to the Long to catch their fish.

18<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted Liberty that swine should run at large this year being yoked and mired according to law.

19<sup>th</sup> at said meeting and accepted of a Town Road Laid out by the Select men: bearing Date March 3<sup>d</sup> 1770 from the Road called purchase Road to the Marsh Leonard's land; and so in the Line between him and Mr. Elmer Land provided the Town be at no cost to purchase the land or to give any thing for the privilege of said Road.

20<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted the following Remittances of Rates to the several Constables in S. Town (viz) to Jacob Telford 1 M<sup>r</sup> John Townsend's poll Tax 4<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> and in Ebenezer Woods Bill's one poll Tax that the

Morton Morton was wrongfully Rated 4<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> and to Percy Church 4<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> being the whole of Simcon's rate for the year 1759. to Master Redding in S. Woods Bill's 4<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> and voted to remit the whole of Josiah Wood's

Rate in James Weston's Bill's being 0-19-2 and in said Weston's Bill's 6<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> being the whole of Joseph Bonroy's

Rate in S. Mills these have S. Sums to be paid out of the Town Treasury or Disbursed with the Treasurers of S. Town.

21<sup>st</sup> at said meeting John Morton being chosen a Constable of said Town and there being an agreement between S. Morton and Simon Doggett for a consideration from S. Morton to Doggett to Doggett's satisfaction, said Simon Doggett appeared in said Morton's Sums; and said Morton appeared as surety for said Simon Doggett for the full performance of his office in the Town and said John Morton the Town then accepted of said Simon to serve as afore said and of said Thomas Doggett and said John Morton as surety as afore said.



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22<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted to allow a payment to Capt. Eln. Spruith for serving as Town Treasurer for the year 1768: 2-0-0 and to two days or a half in laying out Town Roads and for running out Town lines with a Plimpton; and for expenses at the Sale of a horse to Capt. Spruith at his House and to a man and horse to get written for Capt. Spruith on account of the 3<sup>d</sup> of appreciable to him

23<sup>d</sup> at said meeting the Town voted that there should be no salaries taken this year after they have left their spawns as they come down stream

24<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted to vote whether the Town would pay the Committee that was sent from the South to lay out the Road to Mr. John Miller petitioned for to said Court and it was said in the Negative

25<sup>d</sup> at said meeting the Town by vote elected Mr. Elijah C. from serving as a Surveyor of highways, by vote chose Mr. Benjamin Warren to clerk, officers as a fore mentioned

26<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted and accepted of the Report of the Committee chosen last year to set bounds and limits to the old Stone wain so called in said Town and ordered the same to be recorded; which is as followeth

We the Subscribers Being appointed by the Town of Middleborough as a Committee to take a View and Describe the Limits of the old Stone wain so called on the Maskot River in pursuance whereof after viewing said wain we find it to be included in the following limits: viz: Beginning at the South end of the Dam of the Gift Mill belonging to the heirs of Dr. Cornelius Smith Dec<sup>d</sup> & from the South end of said Dam to extend down stream of said River on the southerly side 18 poles to a large fallen on the southerly side of said River and from thence ranging North 19 degrees Easterly by one Maple and by sixteen two other Maple Trees all marked standing in the River: and so extending the same point a cross said River to a large fallen on a Rock on the North end of said River: and then by the North by side of said River upstream to the afore said Mill Dam: then by said Dam to the afore said South end of the which limits include the whole of said old Stone wain & to the next page

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and we find that the Mill of William Thorne is Gift Mill doth not belong to said old Stone wain March 26<sup>th</sup> 1770

Calah Tomson  
Jehab Wood  
Jacob Bennett

and the meeting was adjourned to the same day that the Town meet for the choice of a Representative in May next at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day at which John Morton Town Clerk

May 7<sup>th</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1770: and Lieut. Ebenezer Spruith and Mr. Jehab Wood were chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and Mr. William Nelson and Mr. Israel Thomas were appointed by drawing out of the box as the law directs to serve on the Jury of Inquests at the Next Superior Court of Judicature South of a pipe and General Delivery to be holden at Plimouth for and within the County of Plimouth on the Third Tuesday of May Instant

May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough May 23<sup>rd</sup> A.D. 1770 for the choice of a Representative; after said Town had voted three times for a person to Represent them in the General Court and no choice being made said Lieut. Ebenezer Spruith thought proper to adjourn said meeting for one hour and said meeting was adjourned accordingly The Town met according to adjournment and proceeded in a lawful choice as afore said; and Capt. Ebenezer Spruith was chosen to Represent said Town at the next Court and General Assembly to be kept and held for his Majesty Service at Harvard's College in Cambridge on the thirtieth day of May Instant and so during the Session and session of said Court for the year ensuing



May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Middleborough Legally notified and warned. In Publick Town meeting assembled at the meeting House in Easterly Precinct In said Town on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 1770  
 Capt. Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen Moderator of said meeting  
 At said meeting the Town by vote made Choice of Mr. T. L. Leonard to be their agent to join with the Representatives to answer to the petition of James Williams and Daniel Leonard Esqrs. Respecting the Settlement of the Line Between Taunton and Middleborough: and by the prayer of said petition should not be granted; and then the Moderator dismissed the meeting

May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting on the Day of the above Date a Question being asked whether the Select men of Middleborough should defray paying Joseph Sprout any more money than he hath written order for out of the Town Treasury for the support of his Library at Taunton which passed in the Affirmative

May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1770 At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct In Middleborough on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of May 1770: held by adjournment from the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 1770: and the moderator took his Oath and the Town proceeded: and passed the following vote

1<sup>st</sup> At said meeting whether the Town would action the Eight<sup>th</sup> article contained in the Warrant for said meeting which is to see if the Town would raise a Stamp to keep their Town Book in: and it passed in the Negative

2<sup>nd</sup> At said meeting the Town by vote accepted Mr. Joseph Benson for serving as Constable for the present year

3<sup>rd</sup> At said meeting the Town by vote made Choice of Mr. James Lebaron to serve as a Constable in the Room & stead of Mr. Joseph Benson who was excused by reason of age and other infirmities

4<sup>th</sup> And then the Town by vote accepted of a Road laid out by the select men the Return whereof bears Date May 11<sup>th</sup> 1770 from Barnabas Raymond by William Ben net by the Rocky Meadow Saw mill to waters peoples point Furnies provided the Town be at no Cost for the Land where said Road is laid out

5<sup>th</sup> At said meeting the Town voted to Remit the sum to Mr. John Leonard one pound one shilling being the whole that was Due from said Leonard to said Town when he was Constable of said Town: for this Remission of the Debt that Leonard made with in mending the Highways & services where never had paid him their Rates: and others so far he met with

6<sup>th</sup> Voted the following Remittances of Rates to the several Constables of said Town hereafter named (viz)  
 one half that Due John Macomber was wrongfully rated for Job Macomber Bills being 6s 6d the said Job to have the sum paid out of the Town Treasury  
 and to William Ben net John Clark 8s  
 David Lebaron 9s

and to Ephraim Ward Jr. Ezra Tillson 2s 6d Thos Coffey 5s  
 and to Elijah Perry 5s 6d being Gibsons Shapers Rates paid  
 and to Abraham Shaw Job Simonson 7s

and to David Alden Jesse Snows Rates who was assessed by order for Zachariah Witmans Estate being 1s 6d  
 and to Josiah Kings of Taunton Drapery to Jonathan King 3s  
 3<sup>rd</sup> of his Majestys Raillets and William Esqrs Rates

7<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted and accepted of a Road laid out by the select men bearing Date June 10<sup>th</sup> 1769 from Dartmouth Road near Jshabed Mordons to go by Thomas Paddocks to extend to bating brook

8<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Deacon Gashorn 10s 6d and 10s 6d for Boarding M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Foster  
 and the Town School Master seven Weeks at 6s 6d per Week

9<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Isaac Cushman for Boarding M<sup>r</sup> Foster the afore said School Master thirteen weeks at 6s 6d per Week three Pounds eight Shillings

10<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow and pay unto John Poire for Boarding M<sup>r</sup> Foster the Town School Master seven weeks at Five Shillings per Week two Pounds two Shillings

11<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow and pay unto John Millen the 3<sup>rd</sup> for Boarding M<sup>r</sup> Foster the Town School Master seven weeks at 6s 6d per Week one Pound and sixteen Shillings

12<sup>th</sup> At said meeting voted to allow and pay M<sup>r</sup> William Shaw the sum of one pound and two Shillings for mending Rates six days and half at 4s per day in the year 1769



- 13<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Zebulun Leonard for one day a Laying out a Road by William Meeds at 2/8 per day and for perambulating the line between Danston and Middleborough 4 days at 2/8 per day and for Reading Mr. Foster the Town School Master one week at 6/8 per week one pound sixteen shillings and making the Province Rates and Drawing Copies of the State Maps for the Province five days a half at 4/8 per day one pound five shillings paid to Mr. Zebulun Leonard for expenses and to Leonard for time spent in Laying out a Road from Cape Snow to Micah Leonard 2/8 and time spent in Laying out a Road from Barnabas Rogers road to Roshay meadow saw mill and so to Plymouth 2/8
- 14<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Jacob Bennett for a day with the select men to look the Town line with Danston 1/8 to his going to fresh meadows about the bridge and for five days and a half a making Maps at 4/8 per day one pound and twelve shillings and for one day a Laying out a Road by Roshay four shillings the whole amounting to one pound and twelve shillings
- 15<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Joseph White for four days a perambulating the line between Danston and Middleborough 4/8 to one day a Laying out a Road in the North west part of the Town 2/8 the whole amounting to thirteen shillings and four pence
- 16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Capt. John Smith for half a day a Laying out the Road by Isaac Cushman 1/8 to one day a Laying out a Road by William Meeds to perambulating the line between Danston and Middleborough four days the whole amounting to fifteen shillings and eight pence
- 17<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Nathaniel Myles for his services done when he went with the Justice Committee about the Road that Mr. John Miller petitioned for 2/8 to one day in perambulating the line between Danston 2/8 to one day spent a Laying out a Road from Cape Snow to Micah Leonard 2/8 the whole seven shillings eight pence
- 18<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto John Morton for serving as Town Treasurer in the year 1774 and for five sheets of paper for the Book of marks and for drawing an alphabet for the Book of marks two pounds agreeable to the account and thank Moderator Dismiss the meeting

attest John Morton Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday June 25<sup>th</sup> 1774 the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1774  
at said meeting appointed Mr. Ebenezer Briggs Junr and Mr. William Sampson to serve on the Jury of Tryals as the Law directs at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth in and for the County of Dukes on the first Tuesday of July Next

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1774  
Mr. John Moon Gamory was Chosen Moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting a Letter being aforesaid Weather The Select men of said Town should write an answer to the Court of Quarters Superior to be holden next at Plymouth for said County and answer to the Citation sent from said Court at their session held in April Last relating to the Petition of Mr. Benjamin Fearing of Wareham others concerning a Road being laid out from where Mr. Nathaniel Jacob Decely once lived to Cook the No. 4 near the Negroes Dam and it passed in the affirmatives and the Moderator Dismiss the meeting at 11<sup>th</sup>  
John Myles Town Clerk

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of September 1774  
Mr. Joshua Wood was Chosen Moderator of said meeting  
at said meeting Joseph Leonard Zebulun Sprunt and Isaac Rider was Chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth in and for the County of Dukes on the first Tuesday of October Next



At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Eastern Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 2<sup>d</sup> of October 1770 Mr. Zebulun Leonard was Chosen Moderator of said meeting and then the Town proceeded to pass the following vote:

at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would at this meeting raise any money to Defray the necessary charges of the Town that have already arisen and are arising in said Town and it passed in the Negative.

1770<sup>2</sup> voted to Remit 9/7 that Abner Sampson was Rated in Edward Sheermans Will for the said Sheerman to have same Discontinued with the Town Treasurer.

at said meeting voted to Remit to Mr. Edward Washburn 7/7 that Mr. Saml. Shaw Deced<sup>d</sup> was rated in said Washburns bill in the year 1766. & the same to be paid out of the Town Treasury.

at said meeting voted to Remit the whole of Mr. John Coxes and his son Thomas (poor Rates in Edward Woods Rate bill being 15/5 and the said John Woods to have the same paid out of the Town Treasury.

at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of Messrs Shubael Tinkham, Lt. John Weston, and Zebulun Leonard to be a Committee to hear the Complaint of Mr. John Miller who complains that he was wrongfully wronged said Committee to enquire into the affair and make their Report at the next Town meeting wherein he has been wrongfully wronged.

at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Shubael Tinkham for Boarding their Town School Master Mr. Thomas Foster 13/16 to thirteen weeks at 6/7 per week agreeable to his acc<sup>t</sup>. 23-180

at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto Abner Tinkham for two days & a half time spent in taking care of the fish in their passage in the River & brook in Middleborough as committee man: 7/6

at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Silas Wood for his time spent in going to see the passage ways clear for the fish in their passage: three Days and a half at 3/7 Day 7/6

at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of Messrs Caleb Tinkham, Shubael Wood, and Zebulun Leonard to be a Committee to take care of the Town Stock of Cattle &c. to provide some convenient places to keep said Stock in as they in their wisdom shall think proper: and make Report thereof to the Town at the next Town meeting.

at said meeting voted to sell the Privilege of the ale wine & taking Fishery or near the Slitting Mill agreeable to the late act of this Province: and whoever is the highest Bidder shall give sufficient security for the sum they shall give; and shall observe the Directions in the Law relating to obtaining the right of the owner of the Slitting Mill for the taking said fish and pay the one half of said sum they shall give for said fish by the first day of June next: and the other half by the first day of September next: and then Town by vote appointed Mr. Willson, Vander Maester for the Sale of said fish and then the meeting was adjourned to the dwelling House of Capt. John Sprague to be held immediately: and the Moderator declared to be adjourned as afore said: the Town met according to the adjournment and the Moderator took his place and then proceeded to the Sale of said fish & Joseph Supper was the highest Bidder; therefore the Privilege of taking of said fish was sold to him the said Joseph Supper for the consideration of the sum of one hundred and thirty pounds: and Mr. Nathaniel Maynes and Mr. Willson Ripley appeared as sureties for the said Joseph Supper: and the Town accepted of them by vote as surety as afore said: for the payment of said sum: and then the Moderator dissolved the meeting.

attest. - John Morton Towns Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Eastern Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 3<sup>d</sup> day of December 1770

at said meeting appointed Lemuel Bryant, Theophilus Bryant and Joseph Eaton to serve on the Jury of Inquest at the next Court of General Sessions of the peace and Country Com<sup>on</sup> pleas to be holden at Plimouth in and for the County of Plimouth on the second Tuesday of December Instant.



Bond given  
to the Town  
Respecting  
Prince's Negro

I now all men by These Presents that we the Subscribers  
Timothy Tillson yeoman and Ebenezer Morton yeoman  
Silas Wood yeoman Samuel Clarke Philisican both Mortons  
Cordwainer and Simon Daggott Joiners all of Middleborough  
and County of Plymouth in New England, are holders and true  
firmly bound & obliged unto Capt Ebenezer Sprout of  
Middleborough and County of Plymouth aforesaid: Treasurer  
of said Town: and his Successor in said Office: firmly by  
These presents jointly & severally, to deliver to him  
and each of them in the full and just sum of two Hundred  
Pounds Lawfull money, to be paid unto him the said Ebenezer  
Sprout: Treasurer or his Successor in said Office in Witness  
whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 2<sup>d</sup> day of Jan-  
uary A.D. 1769

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that  
whereas John Montgomery of the Town of Middleborough  
hath freed his Negro man servant named Prince: Now  
of the said Prince who by the Providence of God fall in  
decay such as might may call for the assistance of the  
Town for his support: What then in that case the above named  
Persons they, or either of them save the Charge accruing upon  
the Town aforesaid, then the above written Obligation to  
be void and of none effect other wise to abide and remain  
full force and virtue

Signed Sealed and Delivered  
In presence of us  
Levi Wood  
John Morton

Timothy Tillson  
Ebenezer Morton  
Silas Wood  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Clarke  
Seth Morton  
Simon Daggott

March 25<sup>th</sup>  
1771  
Annual  
Meeting  
Chosen

At a Town Meeting held at the meeting House in the Eastern  
Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March  
A.D. 1771  
Lieut. Robert Sprout and Mr. Caleb Tompson were chosen  
to serve on the Grand Jury at the next Court of General Sessions  
of the Peace to be holden at Plymouth for and within the County  
of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of April next and at that  
several Courts of General Sessions by the Peace to be holden there  
for the space of one year  
and Jonathan Washburn Edmond Wood and Roger Haskins  
were appointed by drawing out of the Box as the Law directs  
to serve on the Jury of Inquests at said Court and at the next In-  
quest Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plymouth after  
said on the second Tuesday of April next  
Attest John Morton Town Clerk

March 25<sup>th</sup>  
1771  
Annual  
Meeting

At a Town Meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Eastern Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day  
of March anno quodominii 1771  
being duly warned and regularly assembled for the choice of  
Town Officers and other business as inserted in the warrant  
for said meeting The following Persons were Chosen to serve in  
the Respective Offices here after Named (viz)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Capt Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen Moderator
- 2 John Morton } Town Clerk
- 3 Capt Ebenezer Sprout  
Capt Benjamin White  
Mr. John Montgomery  
Mr. Ichabod Wood  
Mr. Lebulun Leonard } Select men
- 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Jacob Bennett  
Mr. George Peine  
Lt. John Weston } Assessors
- 5<sup>th</sup> Jacob Tompson Jun<sup>r</sup>  
John Nelson  
Simon Daggott  
Nehemiah Allen } Constables
- 6<sup>th</sup> John Morton } Town Treasurers
- 7<sup>th</sup> John Dwyer  
Lemuel Thomas  
Abraham Tompson  
John Gorham  
John Jones } Wardens

turn over



- 7<sup>th</sup> They then made choice of Moses Thomas; Joseph Harris  
William Tompson; Sadey Vaughan Jun<sup>r</sup>; Hughai Thomas  
Benjamin Hackett; Joseph Barden; Amos Washburn  
George Douglas; John Howland; Elkanah Peirce; Gershom  
Richmond Nathan Howland John Doly; Edm<sup>d</sup> Wood  
Solomon Donham; Cap<sup>t</sup>. Ebenezer Sprout; Seth Morton  
Oxenbridge Thaxter; Silas Finkham Peter Vaughan  
John Lebaron William Bennett Surveyors of Highways
- 9<sup>th</sup> Seth Morton Dealer of Leather
- 10<sup>th</sup> Zebedeo Sears; John Norcot; Nathan Wood; Eben<sup>r</sup>  
Finkham; Elijah Thomas; Gideon Richmond  
were chosen. { Tithing men
- 11<sup>th</sup> Jeremiah Jones Jun<sup>r</sup> } Hogg reeves  
William Marcomber  
Roland Thomas  
John Shaw  
Jacob Tompson Jun<sup>r</sup>
- 12<sup>th</sup> Jonathan Ransom } Dear reeves  
Confider Benson
- 13<sup>th</sup> Josiah Wood } were chosen to see the due of  
William Fuller } service of the Province Law Re  
lating to horses going on the Common
- 14<sup>th</sup> Lemuel Bryant } Fence reeves  
William Bennett Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Noah Phinney  
Nathan Richmond
- 15<sup>th</sup> Stephen Richmond } Surveyors of Lumber  
Edmond Wood  
Silas Wood  
John Smith 2.
- 16<sup>th</sup> They then made choice of M<sup>r</sup>. Silas Wood. Jehadiah  
Amos Finkham and Ezra Clark to be a Committee to  
take care that the fish called alewives have a free passage  
up and down the River and Brooks in said Town
- 17<sup>th</sup> They voted Liberty to take the fish called alewives in a swampy  
Brook as they go up to cast their spawn at the Bridge near  
M<sup>r</sup>. Nath<sup>l</sup>. Thaxter on said Town on Monday Tuesday Wednesday  
In each week during this season for taking alewives
- 18<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted Liberty that swine should run at large  
being spoken and Kingd according to Law

memos and com. at  
said meeting just took  
place at this meeting  
that James and Grant  
the 1st of Sept of 1800  
thought it best to have  
a copy of the Constable  
in the room of four  
and the master in the  
negative



- 59<sup>th</sup> at said meeting a Question being asked whether the Town would approve of the men that their Select men proposed the <sup>select men</sup> ~~select men~~ <sup>select men</sup> to go with Free town, respecting Mary Ashloy and it passed in the Negative
- 20<sup>th</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the select men of Middleborough should have full power and authority to do the affair with Free town select men on their agent or agents respecting the maintenance of Mary Ashloy either by Compounding with them, or of a said affair by Law and it passed in the affirmative
- 21<sup>st</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town would at this meeting choose a Committee of three men to make inquiry whether it be necessary to build on him a work House in this Town and make Report there of at their next Town meeting and it passed in the affirmative
- 22<sup>nd</sup> and then the Town by vote made choice of Capt. J. Modest, Sprout, Capt. Benjamin White and Mr. Caleb Tompson for said Committee
- 23<sup>rd</sup> and then voted to Permit unto Mr. John Barrow one half of the sum that he owed the Town for Peter Lovells service who was under the care of the Town; and the same to be discharged with the Town Treasurer
- and then the Town by vote adjourned said meeting to May to be held at ten of the Clock in the fore noon on the same day the Town meets for the choice of a Representative and the moderator Declared said meeting to be adjourned to said time
- Attest John Norton Town Clerk

May 7<sup>th</sup> 1771. A<sup>g</sup> Town Meeting held at the meeting House in the Eastern  
meeting Precinct in Middleborough on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1771.  
for Jurors and Capt. Nathaniel Smith and M<sup>r</sup>. Ephraim Woods were  
Grand Jurors Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury. And Lieut. Ebenezer Spooner  
and M<sup>r</sup>. Shubael Dinkham <sup>by drawing, and by lot</sup> were appointed as the Law directors to  
serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Superior Court of Judicial  
we Court of Assize and General Goal delivery to be holden at  
Plymouth within and for the County of Plymouth on the third  
Tuesday of May Instant.

We the subscribers do empower and approve of Jedediah Bennetts Building a Bond upon his Land near his dwelling House in Middleborough upon his own Charge. Long as the Selectmen said Team shall see Cause to keep on upon some convenient place which shall be for the use of said Town when any Person or persons shall have occasion to impound any Horse mares, Cattle Sheep or Swine; according to the Law of this Province. Dated Middleborough May 6<sup>th</sup> 1775. Eben. Sprunt, Selectmen

Eben. P. Sperry  
 Shales Wood  
 Benj. White  
 Zebulon Leonard



- 1771 May 20<sup>th</sup> At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the Easterly Precinct in Middleborough the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of May A.D. 1771 - by adjournment from the 25 day of March last past the Moderator took his Place and then the Town proceeded as follows -
- 1<sup>st</sup> at said the Town by vote accepted of Joseph Briggs to serve as Constable in the Room and stead of John Hallam who was the last Constable last March and Mr. Edward Washburn appeared Sureties to said Town for said Joseph Briggs' faithful performance in the afore said, and the Town accepted of them by vote as the said Briggs' Sureties.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> at said meeting the Town by vote accepted of the Report of a Committee that was chosen to provide some convenient Place to keep the Town Stock of powder &c. in: which Report is as follows -
- 3<sup>rd</sup> at a Town meeting held at the Easterly Precinct meeting House in Middleborough on Monday the 22<sup>d</sup> of October 1771 at said meeting the Town made choice of us the Subscribers to provide a Place to keep the Town Stock in: and accordingly we have agreed with Mr. Samuel Sinkham Jun<sup>r</sup> to keep in his Corn House which he will do provided the Town will pay him four shillings as long as the Town shall see Cause.
- 4<sup>th</sup> at said meeting the Town by vote made choice of Mr. John Miller & Mr. Caleb Tompson to be a Committee to examine the Town Treasurers accounts & make Report thereof to the Town as soon as they conveniently can at a Town meeting.
- 5<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow pay unto Lt. Jacob Tompson for carrying and tending with the General Courts Committee in settling the Line between Taunton & Middleborough of -
- 6<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remit 3/2 that David Simmons in John Bennetts Road bill for his sons bill case the said sum to be paid out of the Town Treasury.
- 7<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remit to Jacob Tillson Lewis Dennis for law in Tillsons bill being 4/6 to be paid out of the Town Treasury.
- 8<sup>th</sup> at said meeting a Question being asked whether the Town would at any thing relating to the taking the Fifth Called otherwise as the Committee the Mission after they have had their Spawson it passed on the Negative.
- 9<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to the Several Persons hereafter named the following Remittances of Rates (viz) to Joseph Briggs Constable 6/4 that John Hely was voted for Real Estate

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- 10<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remit what the following Remittances of Rates in his Bill Joseph Lincolns poll 1769 3/8 - 4/6
- Isaac Nye 0-5-0
- Daniel Mordley 4-6
- The Widow Lydia Drake 5-1
- Joseph Hawks 4-6
- Abraham Jones 0-5-0
- Joseph Hallett that his Father was Rated for 4-6
- and to Shubael Sinkham for the pairing of the Road 15-12-8
- Benja Pratt Jun<sup>r</sup> 1-6
- David Simmons 1-6
- Joseph Lincoln 2-8
- and to said Shubael Sinkham for the pairing of the Road 15-12-8
- 11<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Capt. Benj. Spruith for sundry he Let. Elhanah Elmes wife and Daughter have in time of sickness who were a Town Charge and to Expenses at the vendue of alivies 3/8 and for Cash for measures and stacking them for the Town of Middleborough 6/2 the a bove sum a mounting to one pound five shillings eleven pence & pencey and to Capt. Benj. Spruith for laying out a Road from Barnabas Maymonds towards the furnace one day 2/8 and three Days with the Courts Com mitted to Lay out Road at 2/8 per Day and three Days with the General Courts Committee on the Line between Taunton and Middleborough 3/8 and for one copy of the General Court of to Expenses at 3/8 the whole amounting to one Pound three shillings & four pence
- 12<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow pay unto Mr. Joseph White for ambulating on the Line between Taunton and Middleborough four days 3/8 in the year 1769 and in the year 1770 to sundry with his Comptrols in waiting on the Courts Com mitted in laying a Road in Main Mairs Road 2/8 and to two days with the General Courts Committee 6/4
- 13<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow pay unto Mr. Joseph White for ambulating on the Line between Taunton and Middleborough four days 3/8 in the year 1769 and in the year 1770 to sundry with his Comptrols in waiting on the Courts Com mitted in laying a Road in Main Mairs Road 2/8 and to two days with the General Courts Committee 6/4
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- 15<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow pay unto John Weston for serving as Town Treasurer in the year 1770 10/6
- 16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Lt. John Weston for six Days making the Province and County Treasurers at four shillings per Day one Pound and four shillings



April 21<sup>st</sup> 1771 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thomas Montgomery of Middleborough and Mr. Martha Hathaway of Taunton. P. John Morton Town Clerk

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Seth Darden & Mr. Mary Smith both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

May 4<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Nehemiah Holmes of Taunton and Mr. Fear Redding of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

May 25<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. David Skane and Mr. Sarah Dransom both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

June 1<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Jacob Miller & Mr. Deborah Soale both of Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. George Hackett and Mrs. Phoebe Phinney both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

June 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Reuben Barrows of Middleborough and Mr. Deborah Sampson Resident in Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

August 17<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Deacon Joseph Richmond of Middleborough & Mr. Anne Stapel of Taunton as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Israel Wood and Mr. Priscilla Vaughan both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Seth Miller and Mr. Abigail Tomson both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Joseph Doty of Middleborough & Mr. Susanna Smith of Rochester. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriages between Paul Dean of Taunton & Mr. Rebecca Jones of Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Silas Peirce of Middleborough and Mr. Anna Hathaway of Taunton. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Thomas Harlow and Mr. Joseph Pratt both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Silas Finkham & Mr. Lydia Smith both of Middleborough; as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Ebel Muxham & Mr. Lydia Bumpus both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Ezra Harris of Middleborough & Mrs. Charity Griffith of Rochester. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Reuben Muxham of Middleborough & Mr. Semina Russell of Wareham as also a purpose of marriage between Thomas Johnson and Deborah Elliot both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Simon Macomber of Middleborough & Mr. Lydia Richmond 2<sup>nd</sup> of Taunton. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Ephraim Jambell & Selah Simmons both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Nathaniel Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> of Middleborough & Mr. Mary King of Dighton. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Seth Prampdel of Middleborough & Mrs. Hannah Crofman of Raynham; as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Simon Donham of Plimpton and Mr. Lydia Shaw of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. William Redding of Middleborough & Mrs. Elizabeth Bates of Pembroke; as also a purpose of marriage between Mr. Seth Walthurn of Middleborough & Mrs. Elizabeth Dunbar of Wrentham. P. John Morton Town Clerk

Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> 1772 Then I published a purpose of marriage between Mr. Ebenezer Norcut and Mrs. Elizabeth Benson both of Middleborough. P. John Morton Town Clerk



at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Mr. Zebulon Leonard for his making the Province & County Maps of 7<sup>th</sup> day 24<sup>th</sup> and two days with the Committee a boat from Taunton, Line & Boarding Mr. Gordon the Town School Master seven weeks for his making the day, two pounds and three pence.

18<sup>th</sup> by at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto Capt. Nathaniel for going after Mr. Johnson the Town School Master in December 1767 - five days a going & coming of 70<sup>th</sup> day in horse 2<sup>nd</sup> p<sup>er</sup> day the whole 24<sup>th</sup> and to expenses 10<sup>th</sup> p<sup>er</sup> day the several sums amounting to two pounds two shillings and four pence.

and then the Moderator dismissed the meeting.

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all the a fore mentioned sums were paid out of the Town Treasury to the said

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct in Middleborough on Monday May 20<sup>th</sup> 1771 - and Capt. Benjamin White was chosen the Town at the Great and General Court or assembly to be kept and held for his Majesty's service at Harvard College in Cambridge on the twenty first day of May instant: and so during the session and dismission of the said year.

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct in Middleborough on Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1771 - and by said meeting appointed James Smith and Joshua Benson as the Law directs to serve by Drawing sort of the 1<sup>st</sup> of the next Court of General Sessions for the July of 1771 at the next Court of General Sessions the peace and Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Plimouth within & for the County of Plimouth on the second Tuesday of July Next.

I now all men by These presents that we the Subscribers whose Names are under written have this Day mutually agreed in deciding fence on both sides of the Land lately Bought by Abner Kingman of Esq. from the River to the Road in the following manner viz) that James Hall for my self and heirs do Promise to make and maintain the fence upon the Easterly side of said Land from the River to the Road: and that Abner Kingman for my self and heirs do Promise to make and maintain the fence upon the Westerly side from the River towards the Road so far in length as the Easterly Line is from the River to the Road: and that what is over in length upon the Westerly side shall be Equally Divided between us: as Witness Hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May in 4<sup>th</sup> year 1771

Test Solomon Beale  
Benj<sup>a</sup> White

James Hall  
Abner Kingman



Boston July 23-1771

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Mr. Jacob Tillson Constable of Middleborough  
 rough for 1769 Ninety nine pounds three Shillings  
 Rec<sup>d</sup> from H. Right pence in full By the hands of Mr. John  
 the Town Woods  
 Treasurers

L99-3-8

for the Treasurer  
Harreton Gray Jun

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
 Precinct in Middleborough September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1771  
 at said meeting appointed Samuel Raymond and Amos Way  
 by drawing out of the Box as the Town direct to serve on  
 the Jury of Tryals at the next Court of General Sessions of  
 Peace and Superior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at  
 South within and for the County of Plymouth on the first Tuesday  
 of October Next

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in  
 Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 of October Anno<sup>i</sup> Domini 1771

1<sup>st</sup> Capt. Ebenezer Sprout was Chosen Moderator  
 2<sup>nd</sup> voted to Remit 15<sup>s</sup> that Jacob Barden Late Constable  
 of the Town was indebted to the Town aforesaid in an even balance  
 made between said Barden and the Town

3<sup>rd</sup> at said meeting voted and accepted of a Settlement with  
 John Morton Town Treasurer made by Mr. John Miller  
 and Mr. Caleb Tompson who were a Committee Chosen for the  
 purpose the 20<sup>th</sup> of May Last by the Town of Middleborough  
 aforesaid which is as followeth: We the Subscribers being  
 Chosen a Committee to examine the Town Treasurers account  
 of the Town of Middleborough met at the House of John  
 Morton Town Treasurer to settle said Treasurers account in  
 September 26<sup>th</sup> 1771 and after Examining said Treasurers account  
 we find that said Treasurer hath Received of the Severall (for)  
 and for the Sale of Alewives &c &c. the Sum of four hundred  
 Eight Pounds Seventeen Shilling Eight pence & Three farthings  
 and paid out by order of said Town Three hundred Ninety six  
 (turn to the next page)



MASSACHUSETTS VITAL RECORDS : MIDDLEBOROUGH #72  
TOWN RECORDS 1762-1772; INTENTS 1772, dp 306-317 Holbrook



Pounds five Shillings eight pence and three farthing due  
 Settlement with the former Town Treasurers and  
 and there yet remains In said Treasurers the sum of Eleven  
 Pounds Eleven Shillings & seven pence half penny all from  
 Security from several Persons the sums amounting to one  
 hundred thirty six pounds ten Shillings and three pence one  
 farthing which sum is still due to said Town

John Miller } Committee  
 Caleb Tompson }

September 26<sup>th</sup> 1771 Then the Treasurers account exam-  
 ined and found due from the several Constables hereafter  
 named (viz)

		L	S	D
from	Jacob Barden <sup>paid at 1<sup>st</sup> meeting to be struck</sup>	10	15	0
from	John Jackson	0	11	0
from	Quintus Heirs	0	14	9
from	Timothy Bryant	1	6	0
from 1762	Nathaniel Briggs	2	9	0
from 1766	Edward Shearman	0	3	6
from 1766	from Ephraim Wood Jun <sup>r</sup>	5	17	3
from 1765	Peter Vaughan	1	3	6
from 1767	Job Macomber	2	3	3
from 1765	Abisha Tinkham	1	10	1
from 1768	William Conedy	0	0	2
	Total	30	8	3

The several Sums Due to the Town  
 of Middleboro are £ 105-8-1  
 from the several Constables for the  
 year 1771



4<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to raise Forty Pounds Lawfull for the Defraying the Necessary Charges of said Town that are arising and ripen for the year Ending to be apportioned the said to be paid into the Town Treasury by the twelfth in the year as usually it hath been done to be paid in

5<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to Remit unto M<sup>r</sup>. Eben<sup>r</sup>. Barrows two pounds Six Shillings & two pence which was Due from S<sup>r</sup>. Barrows to said Town for Peter Lovell Service done for him said sum was Remitted on account of said Barrows Sickness & of one Nathan Dye in his Last Sickness at M<sup>r</sup>. Barrows House & for said Dye for exco<sup>r</sup> Charges who was a Town Charge

6<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted unto the Several Constables hereafter Named the Several Sums hereafter mentioned to be paid out of the Town Treasury (viz) to M<sup>r</sup>. John Wood In his Bills

Benjamin Southwick 4  
Daniel Throshen 0-5

To M<sup>r</sup>. Job Macomber Mary Howlands Mate In his Bills being 40-9

and to M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Briggs in his Bills John Needs Mate and the Widow Mary Howlands being 0-3-1

7<sup>th</sup> and then voted and made Choice of M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Bennett a Surveyor of high ways In Room of M<sup>r</sup>. Peter Vaughan who was Chosen in s<sup>r</sup>. Office Last March but Refused to serve

8<sup>th</sup> at s<sup>r</sup>. meeting voted to M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Tillson Constable the following Remittances of Rates in his Bills (viz) M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Perie of 40 Thomas Gilbert 9 Sam<sup>l</sup>. Rich<sup>d</sup>. and 49 Ezra Reynolds 46 John Need 46 the Widow Mary Howlands 46 Sam<sup>l</sup>. Spooner 46 Robert Dauph<sup>y</sup> of 6 the Several Sums amounting to 4-7-2

9<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Bennett for twenty five days taking the Valuation & Copying the Same at 4/8 p<sup>r</sup> day five pounds

10<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. John Weston for Mending the Town School & after thirteen Weeks and for twenty four days taking the Valuation at 4/8 p<sup>r</sup> day the Sum of Eight Pounds & fourteen Shillings

11<sup>th</sup> at s<sup>r</sup>. meeting voted to allow & pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. Lebalen Leonard for a journey to Plymouth Self and Hope 2 days in the Copying the select men of Sannton of to Cash paid M<sup>r</sup>. Heath 1-10-0 to his expences of 4/8 for drawing Copy of the State bills for the Province & Comparing & Cash paid James Heath 2/2 1/2 to his expences of 2/2 1/2 to John Norton & the whole amounting to two pounds Twelve Shillings and eight pence

12<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. Silas Wood for going three or four times up to the Fifth place by M<sup>r</sup>. He<sup>r</sup>. Smiths & 4/6 to one day spent at Judge Chisels Fifth way a one day at the old ware of to two days my self horse and expences for warrants & in prosecuting five men for fishing contrary to the Law the Sum amounting one pound & six pence

13<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. Amos Finkham for three days time spent in taking Care of the Fifth way at Appawampset and other places as the Fifth paper sheweth the Sum of nine Shillings

14<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Tillson for two Days time spent in taking Care that they as they go up to the pond had a free passage as he had one of the committed for that purpose the Sum of 6/0

15<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow and pay unto M<sup>r</sup>. John Miller for a Day spent in Examining the Town Treasurers accounts Three Shillings

16<sup>th</sup> at said meeting put to vote whether the Town were agree to the straitening Lane between Middleborough & Plympton and it passed in the Negative

17<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to sell the Privilege of the above Tithing at or near the sitting mill to the highest bidder agreeable to the Late act of this Province and whoever the highest bidder shall give sufficient Security to the Town for the Sum they shall give and shall obtain the directions in the Law Relating to obtaining Liberty of the owner of the sitting mill for the taking of said mill over



and pay the one half of said sum he shall give for  
 Fish by the first day of June next: and the other  
 half by the first day of September next: and then the  
 Town by vote appointed Mr. Tilton Ripley Sandoe M.  
 for the sale of said fish: and then the meeting was  
 adjourned to the Dwelling House of Capt. Ebenezer Sprague  
 to be held immediately: and the Moderator Declared for  
 adjournment as afore said: The Town met accord-  
 ingly and the Moderator took his Place and pro-  
 ceeded to the sale of said fish: and Mr. Samuel Fishham 2.  
 was the highest bidder therefor the Privilege of taking  
 Fish was sold to him the said Samuel Fishham 2. for  
 consideration of one Hundred thirty three pounds six shilling  
 eight pence and Mr. Zebulon Leonard and Mr. Zedekiah  
 appeared as surety for the said Samuel Fishham 2. and  
 Town accepted of them by vote as surety: for the payment  
 the afore said sum and then the Moderator Dismissed  
 the meeting  
 attest - - - John Norton Town Clerk

at a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
 Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday December  
 2. 1773 - at said meeting appointed by vote  
 and St. Joseph Macomber by drawing out of the box  
 the two direct to serve on the jury of trials at the  
 Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Court of Common  
 Pleas to be holden at Plymouth within and for the County  
 of Plymouth on the second Tuesday of December instant.

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
 Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday December  
 2. 1773 - at said meeting voted and made choice of Capt. Ebenezer Sprague  
 and Mr. Joshua Wood for agents for said Town to appear at the  
 next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at  
 Plymouth for the County of Plymouth on the second  
 Tuesday of December instant to answer to a Citation issued from  
 the Court of General Sessions of the Peace.



begun and held at Pimouth within the  
 first Tuesday of October last past the  
 presence of the select men of Halifax to wit George  
 Mathew Holmes the wife of J<sup>th</sup> Nathaniel  
 and Town in said action in the law of said Town  
 other suits as there may be occasion  
 3<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted and approved the above  
 who were chosen to prosecute the action in the  
 + Halifax relating to M<sup>r</sup> Mathew Holmes to  
 Town Treasurers the sum of four pounds Law  
 to enable them to carry on said action with  
 and then the Moderator Dismissed the meeting  
 attest - John Morton

settlement  
 the bounds  
 between  
 the Town  
 of 1700 -  
 of now all men by These Presents that who  
 of Pimouth Joseph Edson and William  
 been nominated and chosen by Capt James  
 John Edson and M<sup>r</sup> William Shurtleff  
 of the Town of Pimouth of the one party  
 Joseph M<sup>r</sup> John Soule M<sup>r</sup> Joseph  
 Town of Middletown of the other party  
 Run the line and settle the bounds  
 between the said Towns of Pimouth and  
 part of the way between said Towns as  
 by given between the 2<sup>d</sup> party Dated the 1<sup>st</sup>  
 more fully appear. We the said Committee have  
 the 2<sup>d</sup> line fixed and settled the bounds as follows  
 to begining at a great white oak Tree marked  
 near the place called Mahuttheth on  
 of an old path by a Swamp and thence  
 Easterly by a marked orange tree unto a great  
 Spruce Tree marked on four sides standing  
 side of a large meadow near the River  
 that spruce Tree running Westerly on  
 with of the North called Spring brook  
 meadow brook and thence unto a marked  
 on the North side of a rocky meadow  
 right line to a pine tree marked on four  
 Spruce Tree and thence by marked  
 sides of the meadow down to the mark  
 on the North side of a East path near the  
 and thence running partly by the East path



marked line in the former line. I see  
see a rocky point running down into the  
marked on four sides and then running  
down to a great line. I see marked on four  
sides on this point. and so on the same straight line  
to the River. having had due regard to include the  
formerly granted to the Town of Plymouth with the  
land for fencing of said meadows according to Grant  
whereof we have hereto set our hands this 15th

Israel Chittenden  
Josiah Edson  
William Proffitt

now all men by These Presents that we Ebenezer Spooner  
Joshua and Nehemiah Leonard Select men of the Town of  
Dorchester and Samuel Lucas Gideon Bradford and Zebadiah  
Select men of the Town of Weymouth being met to gather  
the 15th day of November 1777 Have by mutual agreement  
settled upon the line and marked the borders between  
the two towns as follows: viz beginning at the  
the stone about it standing in the former Town Line  
on the two a few said stones which is the former bound  
of the Halliford and is ninety pole distant from Mr. Edson's  
House which North we Renewed: and from thence  
South 35 degrees and one of Eastern Easing which we for  
the variation of North two Degrees from the year 1747 to the  
which we allowed in this and all the other lines lying on  
and fifty pole to the place where the line first forms  
which line was gone when we set a stake and guide kept  
there about it where a stump was which appeared to us to  
be a stump of said line from thence running South 35 degrees  
East 114 pole to the stump by the distance four  
rod in four poles distance which line we re-  
newed a white oak to the distance of eight pole a  
foot distant from said stump: and from thence we  
run thirty degrees East 82 pole to the forked white  
oak which was in the former line of the  
of the line a line of standing on a Hill which line  
and from thence South 35 degrees East one mile and  
80 pole to a white oak tree formerly marked called the  
standing on the south side of the highway leading from  
Middleborough which bound we Renewed and  
with a Don the Eastern side of line: and a M



on the West side and from thence South 31 degrees  
 Easterly 180 pds to a white pine tree standing in the  
 same place where the ancient white oak formerly stood  
 which was a station tree between the said Towns which  
 was marked on four sides from thence South seven degrees  
 Easterly one mile and forty nine pds to a pitch pine tree  
 by the North side of a pond called bever dam pond alias the  
 hatch pond which station we renewed and from thence  
 the same course over the pond 4 pds to a pitch pine tree  
 which stood upon a hill which tree we found down and marked  
 a pitch pine tree standing about 12 feet to the North Easterly  
 of said station with 3 marks one above an other from  
 thence South seven degrees Easterly to the stake of the West  
 ly corner bound of the Lot of land formerly belonging to  
 P. noni Shaw whereon John Shaw now dwelleth. Which place  
 we renewed by striking a stake and laying a heap of stones  
 about it being one mile wanting nine pds from thence  
 South seven degrees Easterly by said Lot 116 pds to the spruce  
 tree formerly marked which is the South corner bound  
 said Lot which tree we found dead and renewed the  
 the spruce formerly marked with 3 marks one above an  
 other we found down and marked a small white pine  
 tree standing North Easterly from said station about one  
 Rod and a half which tree marked with 3 marks one above  
 an other facing to it from thence South 82 degrees  
 Easterly 132 pds to the mouth of the Spring brook where it  
 falls into Rockey meadow brook from thence unto the  
 maple tree formerly marked by the upland of home to  
 the upland from thence the bound on the West side  
 of the meadow to docters Down stream as was settled by  
 the Committee that first settled the same as appears  
 by a writing under their hands bearing date May 17th 1734  
 untill it comes down to the stump of a dog pine tree  
 formerly marked which stump we laid a heap of stones  
 a foot and marked a small black oak tree by said stump  
 with 3 on the North side and 3 on the South side standing  
 at the lower end of Rockey point at the lower end of the  
 body of meadow below the stable brook from thence by  
 North East about 10 pds to the meadow brook from  
 down stream untill it comes to the old going over the  
 brook below where the forge stands near J. Shaw  
 where we set a stone in the ground and laid a heap  
 of stones to mark it



From thence South 7 degrees East 76 feet to a heap  
of Stones which we renewed being the bounds bet  
Plimpton and Wadham in Middleborough Line: as wit  
our hand

Plimpton  
Nov. 4. 1771

Eben. Sprout } Sele  
Ichabod Wood } men  
Zebulun Leonard } Midd  
ough.

Samuel Libas } Sele  
Gideon Bradford } of  
Zebulon Leonard } Plimpton

At a Town meeting held at the Easterly Precinct in  
House in Middleborough on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> day  
January A.D. 1772  
at said meeting E. Nathaniel Wood was chosen Moderator

2<sup>d</sup> at said meeting a motion made and second for the adjourn-  
ment of meeting by reason of its being gotten of snow and bad Travel  
so that the major part of the Inhabitants could not appear  
together: it was therefore voted that said meeting should be  
adjourned to Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January next at 4  
of the clock in the fore noon to meet at time and place  
mentioned: attested Nathaniel Wood Moderator of said meeting

At a Town meeting held at the meeting House in the  
Easterly Precinct in Middleborough on Monday Feb  
ary 3<sup>d</sup> A.D. 1772

by adjournment from the 20<sup>th</sup> of January last  
past and the Moderator took his place and proceeded  
following: (viz)  
at said meeting voted & made choice of Nathaniel  
Samson a Constable of said Town in the room and stead  
of Mr. Joseph Briggs who was chosen the twentieth of  
A.D. 1771 and also about moving out of Town provided  
that

The said Joseph Briggs be surety to the Town for  
the said Nathaniel Samson for said Samson's  
full performance in the afore said office of Constable  
and the Town accepted of said Joseph Briggs as surety  
for the said Nathaniel Samson

2<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted and empowered Capt. Ebenezer  
Sprout and M<sup>r</sup>. Ichabod Wood who were chosen agents  
to defend the Town of Middleborough in the Law against  
Hallifax Select men or agents in their action brought  
against said Middleborough respecting the maintenance  
of Martha Holmes: to compound with the afore said  
select men or agents of Hallifax or to leave the question  
or any other way said agents shall think most proper  
to settle the action

3<sup>d</sup> at said meeting voted not to act any thing in the  
in the Warrant for the afore said meeting which was  
to see if the Town would agree with Samuel Titman to  
Elkanah Elms Child who is a Town charge till it shall  
arrive to the age of seven years, on any other terms as they  
shall agree

4<sup>th</sup> at said meeting voted to allow & pay unto L<sup>d</sup> Zachariah  
Eddy out of the Town Treasury three pounds & eighteen  
shillings Lawfull money for Wording M<sup>r</sup>. Joel Foster  
Sum<sup>r</sup> the Town which Master thirteen weeks agreeable  
to his account: and then the Moderator Dissolved the  
meeting



brought from page 302. (1775)

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
Jedidiah Menzies & M<sup>rs</sup> Chloe Miller both of Middle-  
borough. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

Feb 6<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Elles Latham of Weymouth & M<sup>rs</sup> Ruth Phelps Simons of  
Middleborough. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Caleb Simons of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup> Joseph Barrows of  
Plymouth. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

Feb 29<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>  
Israel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup> Abigail Finney both of  
Middleborough. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

March 7<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
M<sup>rs</sup> Abraham Brown Resident in Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup>  
M<sup>rs</sup> Deborah Simons of said Middleborough as al-  
so purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup> William Jackson  
of Middleborough & M<sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth Vaughan of Plym-  
outh. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

March 21<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage M<sup>rs</sup> Daniel  
Tomson of Halloway & M<sup>rs</sup> Deborah of Middle-  
borough. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk

March 26<sup>th</sup> 1772 - At a Town meeting at the meeting House in the  
Easterly Precinct of Middleborough on Monday March 1<sup>st</sup>  
1772: In presence of the Town and L<sup>ts</sup> Selects & seven  
were Chosen to be Grand Jury at the Court of  
General Sessions to be holden at Plymouth for  
within the County of Dukes on the second Tuesday  
of April Next and several Gent<sup>ls</sup> of Generalship  
of the Peace were there for one year and for the  
Halloway Nathaniel Thomas and Thomas Nelson were ap-  
pointed as the law dire and out of the 12 to serve as the  
Jury of legal advice and at that time Superior Court  
Common Pleas was held at Plymouth on the  
second Tuesday of April 1772. — Dr John Norton Town Clerk



- March 28<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 1772 ~~John~~ Warren of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Mally Leonard  
 of Bridgwater — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph  
 Rouspord of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Elizabeth Hayward of Wren  
 tree — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- April 11<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>rs</sup>. Thomas  
 Oglethorpe Jun<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup>. Rebecca Phinney both of Middelborough  
 — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. John  
 Thomas & M<sup>rs</sup>. Lydia Finkham 2<sup>nd</sup> both of Middelborough  
 — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- April 25<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 John Perkins & M<sup>rs</sup>. Hannah Garner both of Middelborough  
 — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Nelson & M<sup>rs</sup>. Charity Haskell both of Middelborough;  
 as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 John Laborn Jun<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>rs</sup>. Repentance Leas both  
 of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- May 9<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
 Elisha Hutchinson Esq<sup>r</sup> of Boston and Miss Mary Watson of  
 Middelborough; as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Benayzer Boston of Abington & M<sup>rs</sup>. Bathsheba Richman  
 of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Dwyer of Bristol & M<sup>rs</sup>. Rhoda Dilling  
 Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- May 30<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph  
 Ellis of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Hannah Shurtliffe of  
 as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Zachariah  
 of Middelborough and M<sup>rs</sup>. Deborah Harden of  
 as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. David Thomas &  
 M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Howland both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk
- June 6<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Finkham  
 of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Finkham of Middelborough; as also a purpose of marriage  
 between M<sup>r</sup>. John Finkham of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Finkham of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup>. John Norton Town Clerk



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1772 Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Coll of Middelborough & M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Churchill of Wareham — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> William South & M<sup>rs</sup> Mary King both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

June 27 Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Wood & M<sup>rs</sup> Molly Leonard both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

July 4<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Joshua Reed and M<sup>rs</sup> Ruth Snow 2<sup>d</sup> both of Middelborough as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> John Soule and M<sup>rs</sup> Griffitha Simmonds 2<sup>d</sup> both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

July 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Coombs of Rochester & M<sup>rs</sup> Griffitha Brown of Middelborough as also a purpose of marriage between Joseph James and Hannah Whiston both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

August 5<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Perry of Rochester and M<sup>rs</sup> Sophia Tupper 2<sup>d</sup> of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

August 15<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> James North of Bridgewater & M<sup>rs</sup> Ezzah Bryant of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

August 22<sup>nd</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Purinton & M<sup>rs</sup> Lucy Allen both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

August 29<sup>th</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Stapler of Rochester & M<sup>rs</sup> Thankfull Sampson of Middelborough as also a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Moses Samson and M<sup>rs</sup> Lucy Churchill both of Middelborough — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town

August 31<sup>st</sup> Then I published a purpose of marriage between M<sup>r</sup> Henry & M<sup>rs</sup> Mary both of Bridgewater — P<sup>r</sup> John Morton Town